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AMY JOHNSON STARTS FAR EAST FLIGHT

BOUND FOR PEKING VIA MOSCOW.

UNHERALDED SOLO TRIP FROM ENGLAND.

LANDS AT LIEGE.

Amy Johnson is once again in the limelight. Unheralded until an announcement was made in the Daily Mail that a start had been made, she set out yesterday on a flight to Peking, her route involving the crossing of the Siberian wastes at a particularly difficult time of the year.

London, Dec. 31. The Daily Mail announces that Miss Amy Johnson, the world's most famous aviatrice, has started on a solo flight to Peking from England, travelling via Moscow.—*Reuter*.

Miss Amy Johnson left Stag Lane Aerodrome at 10.40 a.m. on her flight to Peking, after being held up owing to fog.

Quick Trip?

Interviewed by *Reuter* prior to the start, she said the whole route was not definitely mapped, but she hoped to get to Berlin on the first day, Warsaw on the second and Moscow on the third. She would then fly to Omsk and afterwards follow the trans-Siberian railway route.—*Reuter*.

London, Jan. 1. Only a score of people witnessed the start of Amy Johnson's flight to Peking.

Gipsy Moth Planes.

She is flying in a red and white Gipsy Moth plane, a machine which was presented to her after her memorable solo flight from England to Australia.

She was wearing a parachute on her back in case of emergency. In an interview, Amy said she had no idea exactly how long it would take for her to reach China. She was in no particular hurry, and she expressed a doubt whether she would get beyond Brussels on the first day owing to the blanket of fog over Europe.

Fearful Hazards.

The Russian section of her flight is likely to be the most hazardous as the cold is very intense and the ground is, perhaps, several feet deep in snow.

She stated that she is proposing to change the wheels of her plane skis on reaching Moscow. The Soviet Embassy told *Reuter* that there were air routes all over Russia and that if Miss Johnson succeeded in reaching the aerodrome she would be all right.

Extremely Plucky.

But it was an extremely difficult and extremely plucky flight to undertake, particularly at this time of the year.

Mrs. Johnson said that her daughter had made no definite plans. She had no particular object in making a flight to China, except that she was keen to fly to China in order to establish another British air record.—*Reuter*.

Lands at Liege.

Miss Amy Johnson landed at Liege, on the Belgian border, at 4.15 p.m. to-day.—*Reuter*.

EXCITEMENT IN CHESS MATCH.

INDIAN PLAYER DEFEATS CAPABLANCA.

London, Jan. 1. In the third round of the International Chess Congress at Hastings a sensation was created by the defeat of the famous ex-world champion, Capablanca, by an Indian, Sultan Khan, the champion of British India, in sixty-two moves.

In the course of the game, Khan sacrificed his queen for two pawns. This is the first game that Capablanca has ever lost in a tournament in England, while Khan is hitherto the only player at Hastings who has won all his games.—*Reuter*.

BOMBAY NEW YEAR FURORE.

BRITISH AND INDIAN TROOPS IN CLASHES.

MANY CASUALTIES.

Bombay, Jan. 1.

The New Year dawned ominously in India, serious clashes taking place in Bombay last night in spite of every precaution by the authorities.

The All-India Congress "Ward Council" in defiance of the police ban, organised a number of meetings throughout the city at midnight, to celebrate the passing of the resolution at the Lahore Congress, which demanded complete independence for India.

The greatest of these demonstrations was planned to take place on the Chowpathi Sands. The police, meantime, took elaborate precautions, while Indian troops were posted at strategic points and a company of the East Lancashire Regiment was drawn up in the moonlight, on Chowpathi Beach.

In spite of this show of force, the crowds rolled up and skirmishes, soon followed.

By two o'clock in the morning, sixty-two persons had been seriously injured as to require their despatch to hospital, while ten others were very seriously hurt when the police were ordered to charge with staves. Several charges were necessary before the crowds dispersed.

In the neighbourhood of the sea-front a party of police was surrounded by a crowd, which began hurling stones.

The officer in charge finally ordered his squad to open fire, and nine of the demonstrators were wounded. Further police charges cleared the streets and all was quiet by four o'clock.—*Reuter*.

FRENCH WAR LOAN SCANDAL.

BRITAIN DESPATCHES A NEW NOTE.

SHARP COMMENT.

Paris, Dec. 31.

A disclosure that the British Government before Christmas sent another Note (the contents of which have not been divulged) requesting the French Government's further consideration of the claims of British bond-holders in French War Loans, is made to-day.

The despatch of this second Note is somewhat sharply commented upon in the newspapers.

Le Journal asks whether this is the time to disturb Anglo-French relations by persisting in a disagreeable controversy and evoking hopes which cannot be satisfied.

It is understood that Britain adheres to the standpoint that the loans are repayable in gold francs and not at the existing rate of exchange.

Britain's first Note on the subject, in July last, evoked an unfavourable reply.—*Reuter*.

KING'S NEW YEAR MESSAGE.

"WE MUST STAND AS A UNITED PEOPLE."

London, Jan. 1.

His Majesty the King, replying to a message from the Lord Mayor of London conveying New Year greetings, says that while hopeful of satisfactory results from recent important conferences, the most sanguine minds cannot fail to realise the difficulties and anxieties which confront us at Home and Overseas.

His Majesty declares: All the more, therefore, we must stand as a united people, resolutely determined to find and follow the sure road which will lead the Empire to lasting peace and prosperity.—*Reuter*.

THE DOLLAR DECLINE.

The sterling value of the Hongkong dollar showed a further decline this morning, the opening rate being 1s. 0.7/8d. This represents a drop of 1/8d. as compared with Wednesday's quotation.

KNIGHTHOOD FOR MR. HORNELL.

THE GOVERNOR ALSO HONOURED.

LOCAL PERSONALITIES IN NEW YEAR LIST.

POLICE DISTINCTION.

His Excellency the Governor and the Vice-Chancellor of the Hongkong University figure prominently in the New Year Honours List. Sir William Peel gets the K.C.M.G. decoration, whilst Mr. W. W. Hornell receives a Knighthood.

Other local honours are as follows:

O.B.E. (Civil Division).—Mr. Edgar William Carpenter, Assistant Director of Public Works.

M.B.E. (Military Division).—Sergeant Major William Harold Edmonds, Inspector of Works, P.W.D.

King's Police Medal.—Mr. Walter Kent, Assistant Superintendent of Police.

Governor's Honour.

There will be general congratulations to His Excellency Sir William Peel on his receiving a further mark of His Majesty's favour. It was in 1926 that Mr. Peel (as he then was) received the C.M.G. decoration, being at the time Chief Secretary of the F.M.S., whilst in 1928, in which year he proceeded Home on special duty at the Colonial Office he was created a Knight of the Order of the British Empire.

It was in May last that His Excellency came to Hongkong as Governor in succession to Sir Cecil Clementi, the whole of his previous Colonial service having been in Malaya. During his 33 years in the Malayan Civil Service, His Excellency proved himself a notably able, experienced and tactful administrator, enjoying the confidence of the Rulers—and of all the communities in the Federation to a marked degree. Whilst he received many congratulations on his elevation to the Governorship of Hongkong, there was universal regret in the F.M.S. when he severed his lengthy and beneficial association with Malaya.

Golden Opinions.

During his brief period of service in Hongkong, His Excellency has won golden opinions, not only because of his charm of manner and happy disposition, but also by reason of his marked abilities as an administrator. He has secured a remarkably quick grasp of the Colony's problems and has shown himself a man of determination to pursue any course to which he has committed himself after due consideration. He has particularly concerned himself with the crisis through which the Colony is passing as a result of the decline in the value of the dollar, insisting wherever possible on economy in the administration of Hongkong's affairs. His appointment of a Retrenchment Committee, with wide powers of reference, may be cited in this connection. A hard worker, with a high sense of his responsibilities, he has also made a large circle of friends in the social and sporting life of the Colony, and there will be general agreement amongst all sections of the community that the latest honour conferred on him has been thoroughly deserved.

Long Overdue.

Satisfaction will be no less universal in the case of Sir William Hornell, whose elevation to the honour of a Knight Bachelor can be described as long overdue. No happier choice could possibly have been made. For the geniality of his disposition no less than for his manifest talents and learning, the Vice-Chancellor has during the seven years in which he has presided over the destinies of the University made himself immensely popular in Hongkong. He has, moreover, come into contact with all sections of the community by associating himself with various local organisations, and has done much in the concord movement to bring Europeans and Chinese together.

His devoted work to the interests of the University needs little emphasising. He has paid visits to North China and Malaya with a view to extending knowledge of the University.

BLOODSHED IN BURMA.

FEARFUL REBEL LOSSES.

FIERCE BATTLES.

Rangoon, Jan. 1.

A battle in the open between rebel tribesmen and troops occurred in the Pashayaw District, where the rebels twice attempted to invade the camps of the Burma Rifles and the Kachin Rifles.

The military repelled with Lewis guns, inflicting extremely heavy casualties on the rebels.

All women and children have been removed from Tharravaddy to forest bungalows following a rumoured intended night attack, which did not eventuate.

The villagers in the Tharravaddy District have deserted their homes to join the rebels.—*A*

MR. SNOWDEN'S BUDGET PROSPECTS.

Unusually Heavy Deficit so Far Recorded.

LAST QUARTER NEEDS.

London, Dec. 31.

The Treasury returns covering a period of nine months ending December 31, show a deficit of £19,000,000, which compares with a deficit of £16,000,000 at the same stage of the financial year twelve months ago.

Mr. Philip Snowden, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, anticipated a net surplus in the full year (till March 31, 1931) of over £2,000,000.

The Budget prospects are therefore, not bright.—*Reuter*.

NATIONAL THRIFT IN BRITAIN.

KING TO BE GIVEN SAVINGS CERTIFICATE.

London, Dec. 31.

The King will be presented next week with a representation of the thousand millionth National Savings Certificate sold. The certificate will be numbered and appropriately inscribed. About 117,000 Savings Certificates are sold daily. The purchase price of the thousand million certificates sold since February 1916 when they were first put on the market amounts to £780,000,000. The present weekly average of sales is the highest for many years.—*British Wireless*.

U.S. MARINES KILLED.

FIGHTING BANDITS IN NICARAGUA.

Washington, Jan. 1.

FOUR NEW PEERS IN THE HONOURS LIST.

"AUDAX" BECOMES A BARONET.

ART, MUSIC AND SCIENCE DISTINCTIONS.

FORTY KNIGHTHOODS.

London, Jan. 1.

Recognition of distinguished services in the art, music, medical and scientific worlds forms the main feature of the New Year's Honours List, which includes four new peerages, five baronetcies, three Privy Counsellorships, and over forty knightships, including twenty in the Dominions, India and the Colonies.

A number of prominent leaders in the Labour Party have been honoured.

Peerages.

Peerages have been conferred on the following: Sir John Hindley, commercial adviser to the Mines Department since 1918. He is a partner in the firm of Stephenson, Clarke and Co., and was formerly a member of the Coal Controller's Export Advisory Committee.

Sir Ernest Lamb, former Member of Parliament and member of the City of London Corporation since 1903. A noted Free churchman, he is Lay Representative to the Wesleyan Methodist Conference and Treasurer of its Temperance and Social Welfare Department.

Sir William Mendenhall, twice president of the Institute of Chartered Accountants, who has presided over many committees and Royal Commissions on commercial and financial questions at home and abroad. He was first Independent Chairman of the National Board for the Coal Industry.

Sir Ernest Rutherford, former president of the Royal Society, the well-known physicist and authority on radio activity. He has been Cavendish Professor of Experimental Physics at Cambridge since 1919 and has been awarded numerous medals for his researches.

Baronetcies.

New Baronetcies include: Sir John Bradford, president of the Royal College of Physicians since 1926 and late member of the Senate, University of London. He was George Henry Lewis Scholar, and since entering the medical profession has held many important posts. Served with great distinction in the War and was made C.B. and C.B.E. He has published many papers on Medical and scientific subjects.

Mr. Ernest Dobsonham, a Director of Lloyd's Bank and Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation.

Sir Richard Gregory, the noted Professor of Astronomy of Queen's College, and former president of the Royal Meteorological Society and many other societies. He has written several text-books on physical geography, physiology, experimental science, physics and chemistry.

Sir George May, Member of the Council of the Institute of Actuaries, Secretary to the Prudential Assurance Co. and a Director of the British Overseas Bank.

Mr. George Roberts, who under the pseudonym of "Audax" presented a hundred thousand guineas to the King Edward's Hospital Fund in March 1929 as thank offering for His Majesty King George's recovery from his long illness.

Privy Counsellors.

New Privy Counsellors are: Sir George Perley, a former High Commissioner for Canada and Minister of Overseas Military Forces of Canada. He is now a Minister without portfolio in the Canadian Government.

Mr. Thomas Kennedy, the chief Labour Whip. He was the Scottish Labour Whip in 1921-2, and 1925-6 and has been Chief Whip since 1927. He has represented Kirkcaldy in Parliament since 1921 and is General Secretary of the Social Democratic Federation and Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasury.

Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Minister of Health.

NEW GOVERNOR OF MACAO.

CAPT. OLIVEIRA TO GET THE POST.

A POPULAR CHOICE.

According to the *Journal do Noticias*, of Porto, Portugal, Capt. Mattos e Oliveira has been appointed to succeed His Excellency Senator Tamagnini Barbosa as Governor of Macao.

Capt. Oliveira has held the important office of Chief of Staff to the Minister of Marine for the last few years where his administrative ability and happy personality have made him most popular. His appointment to this important position is doubtless partly due to the fact that he was stationed at Macao for some time in command of a gunboat, during which period he made a close study of Chinese life in the Colony.

His Excellency the Governor of Macao, and Madame Barbosa returned to Hongkong to-day by the P. & O. Ranchi from their tour of Japan and the North.

Seen by a representative of the *Hongkong Telegraph* this morning, the Consul-General for Portugal stated that although he has seen the report referred to above, he has not yet received official confirmation of the appointment.

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SIR SEFTON BRANCKER'S SOLE BEQUEST.

FLYING COMPANION.

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The will is dated August 22, 1927. It recalls that his widow would be granted a pension of £300 per annum by the Air Ministry.

There was one son of the marriage, who is now twenty years of age.

It may be recalled that Miss Auriol Lee, who is fifty years of age and who is now engaged in the production of talking pictures at Hollywood, was the first woman to fly across the Equator, in the course of a flight with Sir Sefton Brancker to Kenya Colony.

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IRISH FREE STATE RATIFIES.

LONDON NAVAL TREATY NOW IN FORCE.

London, Dec. 31.

The King's Instrument of Ratification, in respect of the Irish Free State, of the London Naval Treaty of 1930 was deposited to-day at the Foreign Office by the High Commissioner for the Free State in London, and the Treaty is, therefore, now in force.—*British Wireless*.

HINDU CASTE FEUD AT JALGAON.

FOUR UNTOUCHABLES ARRESTED.

Jalgaon, Dec. 31.

The Untouchables at Jalgaon this morning resumed their passive resistance tactics, squatting at the entrance to the All-India Caste Hindu Conference.

The police were again summoned and on this occasion, four of the invaders, who had succeeded in forcing an entrance, were placed under arrest.—*Reuter*.

Buenos Aires, Jan. 1.

A decree has been signed authorising the Gold Office to hold reserve operations, in exchange of operations, in exchange of operations, in exchange of operations.—*Reuter*.

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SOUTH AFRICA ON TOP IN SECOND TEST.

ENGLISH BOWLERS FLOGGED.

RECORD PARTNERSHIP FOR FIRST WICKET.

Capetown, Jan. 1.

With one victory already to their credit, South Africa made a brilliant start in the Second Test against England which opened at Capetown this morning. The English bowling was severely thrashed, and it was not until the last ten minutes that the opening partnership was broken.

Mitchell and Siedle put on 260 runs for the first wicket and at the close of play, South Africa had scored 280 for 1 wicket.

Play opened in sunny weather before a crowd of seven thousand. The wicket was worthy of the description good, and was on turf, which was thought to favour England's chances.

Bright Opening.

H. G. Dennis, South Africa's skipper, beat Arthur Chapman in the spin of the coin and elected to bat, sending in Mitchell and Siedle to open the innings.

At the lunch interval, the men had thoroughly settled down and seemed worried by repeated bowling changes. Siedle scored a trifle more rapidly than his partner and in a total of 73, his contribution was 42, while Mitchell had obtained 35.

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INQUEST ON SERGT. J. J. POST.

STATEMENTS REGARDING AMBULANCE DELAY.

An Inquest on Lance Sergeant J. J. Post, who died as the result of a motor-cycle mishap in Lower Albert Road on Christmas Day, was held by Mr. Lindsay at the Central Magistracy, on Wednesday afternoon.

Dr. I. Newton stated that the deceased was admitted into the Government Civil Hospital in a deeply unconscious condition, but became semi-conscious the following day. He muttered to himself but was entirely incoherent.

A post mortem examination on December 28, disclosed a fracture at the base of the skull and considerable laceration of the brain. There was also an abrasion on the left knee cap.

No Ambulance.

Mr. J. Harrop stated that at 2.45 p.m. on Christmas Day, he was proceeding up Ice House Street, approaching the top of the slope, when he saw a crowd of Chinese grouped around a European in mufti. A great quantity of congealed blood was on the roadway. He was informed by one of the crowd that an ambulance had been sent for, but was not avail-
able.

Witness sent his car on to the Central Police Station to make a report later following the car him-
self. On the way he met a car going eastwards in the direction of the scene of the accident. He called to a policeman whom he saw in the car that, if he knew anything about first-aid, his services were required round the corner. The man apparently understood him, but when witness returned to the scene no police-
man or car was there. Nor did he find any ambulance. After wait-
ing four or five minutes, and re-
cognizing the urgency of the case, witness said he had the injured man conveyed in his car to the Government Civil Hospital. He then went to the Central Police Station where he reported the ac-
cident.

Mr. Lindsay: As a Coroner, I have to state my opinion, that your action in this case has been very praiseworthy.

Sergt. A. Kinnair said he was in his quarters at the Central Police Station, when, at 2.45 p.m., he was sent for by Sub-Inspector McWalter on charge-room duty. On the latter's instructions he went on foot to Lower Albert Road, accompanied by a Chinese detective.

At a spot 80 yards east of the top of Ice House St. he found a motor-cycle solo, No. 1132. It was lying on its right side on the outer side of the road, with the front wheel across the gutter. He learned that the injured man had been removed to the Government Civil Hospital. The cycle was in neutral, between second and third gear.

Replying to the Coroner, witness said that on being sent for he proceeded straight to the scene of the accident without any delay.

One Ambulance Under Repair.
Sub-Inspector G. R. McWalter said he was on charge-room duty, when, at 2.40 p.m., a Chinese came in and made a report of the accident. Prior to that he had received no news of it. He sent for Sergeant Kinnair and instructed him to proceed to the scene. At the same time he rang up the Fire Brigade and was informed that one ambulance was out and the other under repairs. He also learned that the Fire Brigade had already been informed of the ac-
cident and had sent for the Tung Wah Hospital ambulance. He re-
cognized the cycle as belonging to P. C. Doyle. Earlier that day, he had seen Sergeant Post leaving the Station on it.

Witness informed the Traffic Department accordingly. Between 8 o'clock that morning and 8 a.m. the following day Sergeant Post was down for Traffic Reserve duty. At noon, he asked witness for permission to go out, but ar-
ranged with witness that if he was required, he could be sent for over the telephone at the Wanchai

Police Station.

Mr. P. Blundell said that Ser-
geant Post, with two other officers, visited him that day at No. 1, Ventris Road. They stayed for about 20 minutes and Sergt. Post had a small whisky before he left

the house. He was then perfectly sober. During the period that he knew Sergeant Post, witness had known him as a very sober man indeed.

Acting Sub-Inspector E. A. Post, deceased's brother, said the

deceased visited him in his quar-
ters at the No. 2 Station that day, when the deceased had a small whisky, and was perfectly sober when he left. Witness had never seen him under the influence of liquor.

Another Police witness said Sergeant Post had been riding P. C. Doyle's machine a number of times, and had never had any dif-
ficulty with it. The inquiry was adjourned until 11.30 to-morrow morning.

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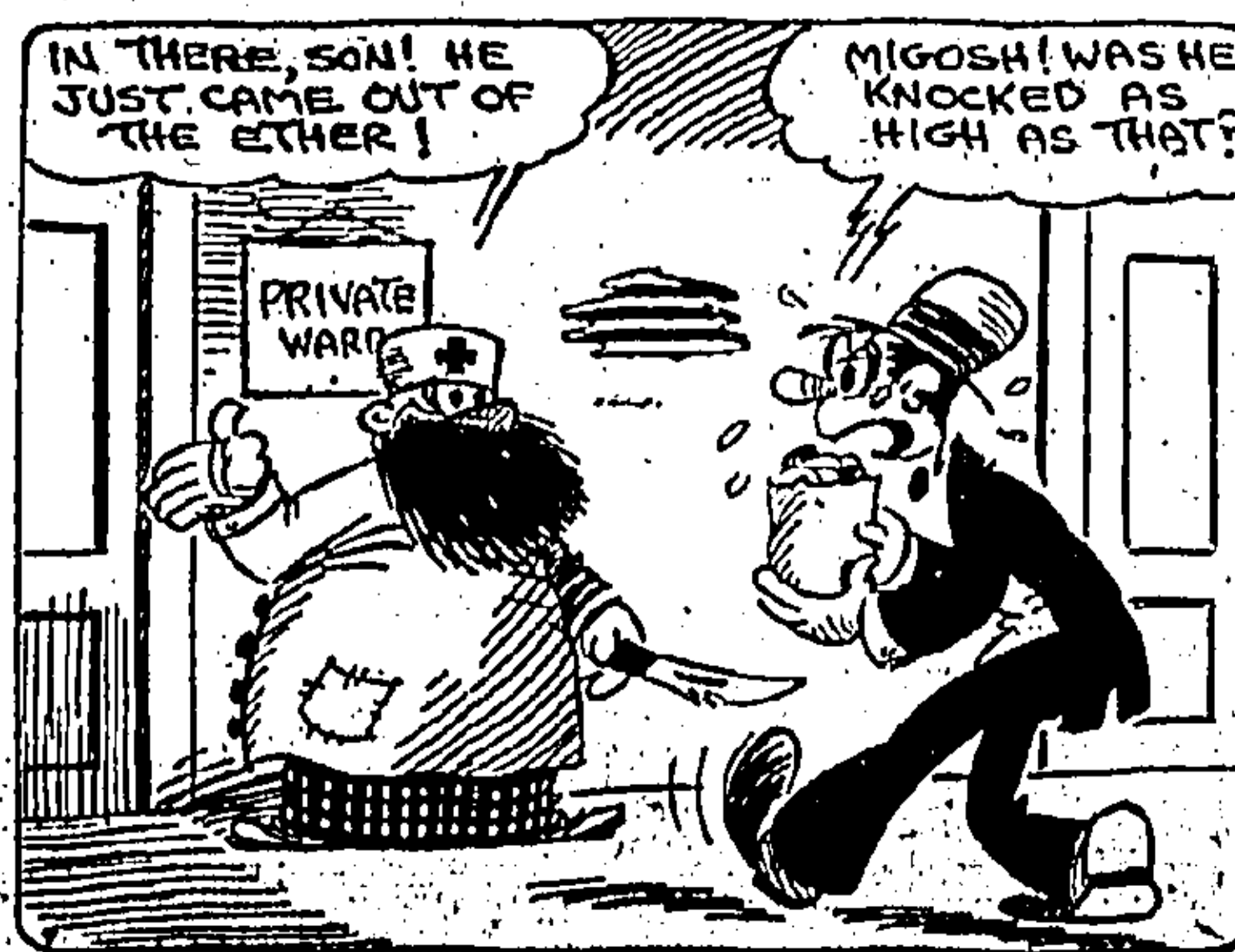
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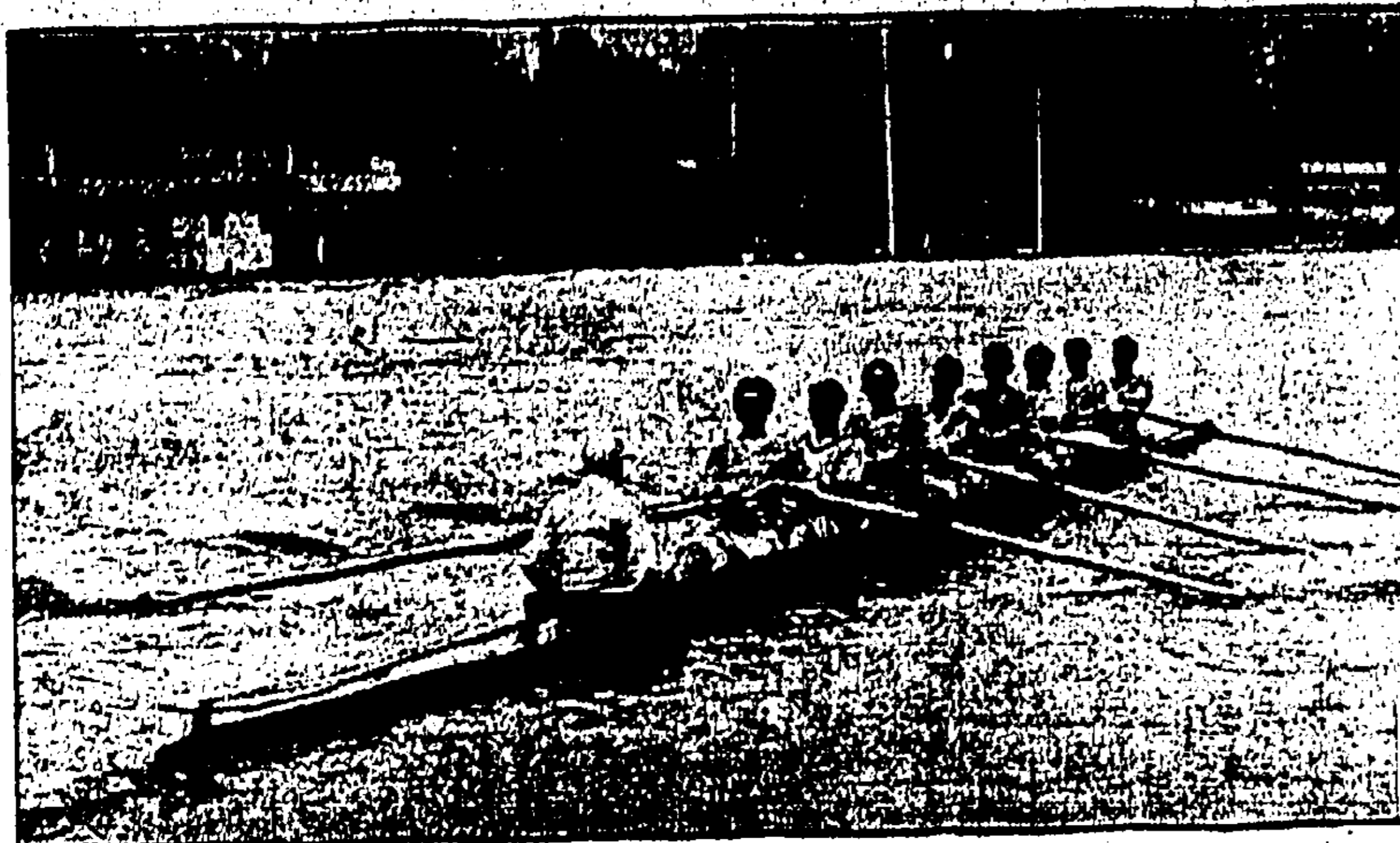
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The winning "A" crew in the Oxford Trial Eights at Henley. They won by two lengths. (Times copyright.)



Cambridge Trial Eights "B" crew practising on the Ouse at Ely. (Times copyright.)



Mr. Hamaguchi after he was shot at Tokyo recently.



Striking photo taken outside the Capitol in Washington.



Premier Hamaguchi's assailant under guard following the outrage.



Clive Dog-Ross, champion Hereford at Birmingham Show. (Times copyright.)



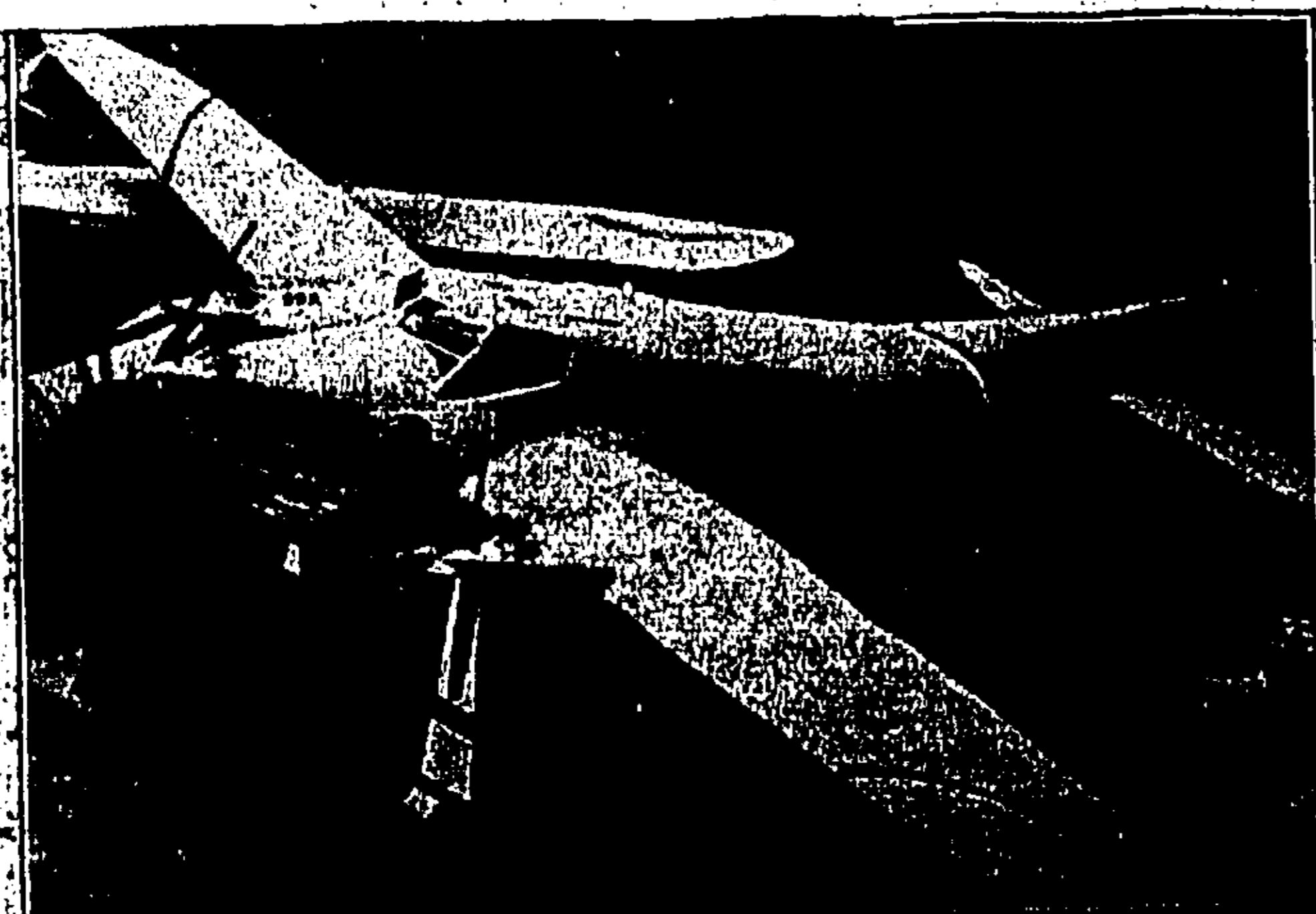
Mrs. Hayward who was rescued from bandits in N. China recently.



Eulima of Kilham, an Aberdeen-Angus, adjudged supreme champion of the Birmingham Fat Stock Show. (Times copyright.)



The teddy bear looks slightly doubtful as to what it is all about—this festive season.

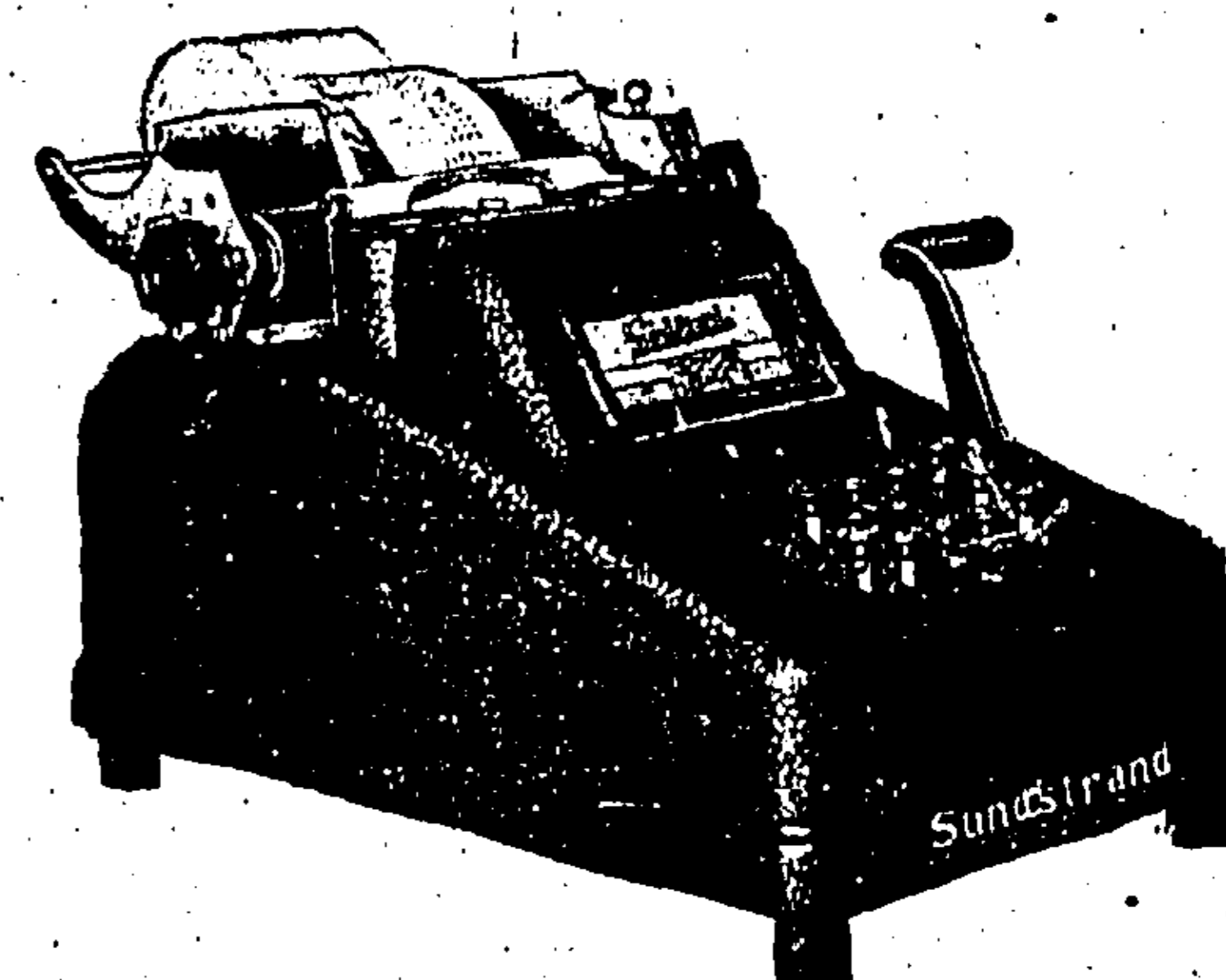


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New Advertisements.

CHINESE CUSTOMS
NOTIFICATION.

The public is hereby notified
that under instructions received
from the Inspector General of
Customs the New Import Tariff of
December 1930 is to operate from
1st January, 1931.

J. M. H. OSBORNE,
Commissioner of Chinese Customs,
Kowloon and District.
York Building,
Hongkong, 31st December, 1930.

G. R.

PARTICULARS AND CONDI-
TIONS of the Sale by Public
Auction to be held on Monday,
the 5th day of January, 1931, at
3 p.m., at the Offices of the
Public Works Department, by
Order of His Excellency the
Governor, of one Lot of Crown
Land at Shamshuipo, in the
Colony of Hong Kong for a
term of 75 years, commencing
from 1st July, 1898, with the
option of renewal at a Crown
Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor
of His Majesty the King, for
one further term of 24 years
less three days.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	New Kowloon Island Lot No. 1441.	Between New Kowloon Island Lot No. 1439 and 1437, Cloning Sha Wan Road	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	About 1,188	\$10	\$2,079
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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
2	New Kowloon Island Lot No. 1442.	Between New Kowloon Island Lot No. 1441 and 1443, Cloning Sha Wan Road	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	About 1,188	\$10	\$2,079
			As per sale plan.			

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TIONS of the Sale by Public
Auction to be held on Monday,
the 5th day of January, 1931, at
3 p.m., at the Offices of the
Public Works Department, by
Order of His Excellency the
Governor, of one Lot of Crown
Land at Wong Nei Chung, in the
Colony of Hong Kong for a
term of 75 years, with the
option of renewal at a Crown
Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor
of His Majesty the King, for
one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
3	Inland Lot No. 3102.	Adjoining Inland Lot No. 3088, King's Avenue Street	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	About 6,000	\$24	\$24,000
			As per sale plan.			

NOTICE.

We have this day accorded the
firm's procuracy to Mr. Jono
Francisco Vieira Ribeiro.

MAXIM & CO.
Hongkong, 31st December, 1930.

LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public
Auction,

on THURSDAY, the 8th January, 1931,
commencing at 2.30 p.m.

at their Sales Room, Duddell Street

A VERY FINE COLLECTION OF BLACKWOOD
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Including:—

Extension Dining Table, Dining Chairs, Sideboard with Bevelled
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Poys, Curio Cabinet with Glass Doors and Mirrors, Dressing Tables,
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ings, Oil Paintings, Fine Teak Round Tables, Ornaments, Kiangsi
Porcelain Flower Pots, Curios, etc., etc.

Teak Dining Table, Dining Chairs, Sideboard, Dinner Waggon,
Glass Ware, Crockery, etc., etc.

Brass, Teak and Iron Bedsteads, Single and Double Wardrobes,
Dressing Tables, Chests of Drawers, Wash Stands, Linen, etc., etc.

and

One "Herring-Hall-Marvin" Safe.

On View from Wednesday, the 7th January, 1931.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received
instructions to sell by Public
Auction,

on SATURDAY,

the 3rd January, 1930,

commencing at 10.30 a.m.

at No. 7, Prater Building,
(Middle Floor), Kowloon.

A Quantity of Valuable Household
Furniture.

On View from Friday,

the 2nd January, 1930.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.

BRADLEY & CO. LTD.

Mr. John Robinson of Swatow,
and Mr. Alexander Henderson of
Shanghai have this day been ap-
pointed Directors of this Com-
pany.

For Bradley & Co., Ltd.
JOHN A. PLUMMER,
Managing Director.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1930.

NOTICE.

As from the 30th December, our
Office will be located on the 7th
floor of China Building.

HONGKONG AMERICAN
TRADING COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

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NAVIGATION CO. LTD.

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are hereby notified that their
cargo will be discharged into Holt's
Wharf Kowloon, where it will lie at
Consignees' risk and subject to terms
and conditions of storage at Holt's
Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for
delivery from Godown on and after
2nd January.

Optional cargo will not be landed
here, unless notice has been given
prior to steamer's arrival but carried
on from port to port to the final port
of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed, and damaged
goods are to be left in the Godowns,
where they will be examined on any
Tuesdays and Fridays between the
hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within
the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after
the Goods have left the steamer's
Godown, and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 8th January,
1931, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer
must be presented to the undersigned
on or before the 22nd January, 1931,
or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1931.

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY.

THERAPION No. 1

THERAPION No. 2

THERAPION No. 3

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THERAPION No. 8

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THERAPION No. 10

PEA-SHOOTING AT THE
SUN.

WHERE A TON WOULD WEIGH
2LBS.

[By Dr. R. L. Waterfield, F.R.A.S.]

The little planet Eros, whose
record close approach to the earth
is now attracting so much attention,
is behaving in a most remarkable
way. As at its last approach, in
1900, it is undergoing large and
rapid variations in brightness.
But whereas in 1900 it doubled its
brightness and faded again in five
hours, it now goes through its vari-
ations twice in that period.

Now, so great a light variation
can only mean one thing; that this
little world, instead of having the
orthodox oval shape that approx-
imates to a nice, smooth billiard
ball, is actually a gigantic craggy
and precipitous boulder. As it
rotates on its axis it presents to
us sometimes a comparatively
smooth surface that catches the
sunlight and reflects it back to us,
and sometimes the mouth of a
great chasm, one side of which is
in deep shadow.

Life On Eros.

To explain fact that its light
variations change from time to
time, as between now and 1900 it
has been suggested that Eros does
not rotate regularly on its axis,
but, so to speak, just tumbles
around its orbit—rather like a
boulder bounding down a precipice.
But the explanation is wrong;
whatever shape Eros may have it
must rotate regularly.

The real cause of the changing
light variation is that when the
planet is north of the earth it turns
one hemisphere towards us, and
when it is south of the earth it
turns the other hemisphere towards
us. The irregularities in the shape
of the two hemispheres are prob-
ably quite different and hence the
light reflected from them will vary
in brightness differently according
to which hemisphere it presents.

To live on Eros would be an
amazing experience. Eros is prob-
ably less than 20 miles in diameter;
but it would not be at all the same
thing as living on a desert island
of the same size.

Weight Reducing.

An object which weighs a ton on
the earth would only weigh about
2lb. on Eros; you could lift it easily
with one hand. You might think
that life on Eros would, therefore,
be a very easygoing affair—digging
ditches would be child's play. But
you would be very sadly mistaken.
You yourself would weigh so little
that you would have difficulty in
keeping your feet on the ground.
And if, at Christmas-time, you
happened to "jump with glee," you
would just shoot up in the air and
disappear for ever into space. You
could literally flick flies off Eros
with your fingers, and with a blow-
pipe and a few peas you could shoot
peas all the way to the sun.

But if interplanetary communi-
cation become fashionable Eros is
scarcely likely to be a favourite
resort. For the weight problem is
quite fatal to an atmosphere. If it
ever had any air or water—which
is excessively improbable—it must
have all evaporated and blown away
within a few hours.

An Important Visitor.

Nevertheless, Eros is now a most
important little world; for, as we
explained in a previous article, by
coming closer to the earth next
month than any body except the
moon has ever done, it will enable
us to determine more accurately
than ever before the distance of
the sun. And this will give us the
scale of our solar system and the
length of the soundings-line with
which we measure the depths of the
universe.

WHY "TOTE" IS NOT
MORE POPULAR.THE "RELUCTANCE TO PAY
CASH."

London, Dec. 4.
The "inborn reluctance" of Eng-
lish people to pay cash was re-
ferred to by Lord D'Abernon
when he dealt with the develop-
ment of the Totalisator at the an-
nual meeting of the Thoroughbred
Breeders' Association.

He said that he estimated that
the £3,000,000 passing through the
Toto this year represented less
than two per cent. of the total
money which changed hands yearly
in this country in betting. "The
you ask why the 'Toto' has not so
far gained a larger proportion of
the total turnover," he added,
"the answer is the inborn reluc-
tance of every true Briton to pay
cash."

"If we wish the 'Toto' to be a
great success, special measures
will have to be taken to overcome
the strong tendency in human
nature to avoid cash payment."

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

RADIO NOTICES.

Individuals and firms are recommended to register their tele-
graphic addresses at the Radio Office. No charge is made for this.
Christmas and New Year greetings are now accepted by Govern-
ment Radio Office for transmission via Radio. Full particulars on ap-
plication.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Australia and Manila	Nellore	January 3.
Shanghai and Swatow	Sunning	January 3.
Shanghai and Amoy	Tjibondari	January 4.
Japan	Mexico Maru	January 4.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shang- hai (Seattle 13th Dec.)	Pres. Madison	January 5.
Straits	Kidderpore	January 5.
Japan and Shanghai	Sphinx	January 6.
Straits	Van Houten	January 6.
Batavia	Tjibondari	January 7.
Straits	Yasukuni Maru	January 8.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan, and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C. 20th December)	Emp. of Japan	January 9.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shang- hai (San Francisco Dec. 12)	Pres. Harrison	January 10.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shang- hai (San Francisco Dec. 10)	Pres. Pierce	January 12.
Japan	Brisbane Maru	January 4.

OUTWARD MAILS.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the
time given below unless otherwise stated, and when mails are advertised
to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.
on the previous day.

For	Per	Date and Time
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Fri., Jan. 2, 2 p.m.
San Shui and Wuchow	Tai Hing	Fri., Jan. 2, 4 p.m.
Straits and parcels only for Ger- many via Hamburg	Mosel	Fri., Jan. 2, 5 p.m.
Japan	Comorin	Fri., Jan. 2, 5.00 p.m.
Amoy	Tjibondari	Fri., Jan. 2, 5 p.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Comorin	Fri., Jan. 2, 5 p.m.
	Registration	6 p.m.
	Letters	6 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius,
East and South Africa, Aden,
Egypt and Europe via Marseilles

Parcels Sat., Jan. 3.
Registration 4.30 p.m.
Letters 3rd 9 a.m.

Parcels G.P.O.
Registration 3rd 9.45 a.m.
Letters 10.30 a.m.

(Due Marseilles, 30th January, 1931.)

Amoy Sat., Jan. 3, 5.00 a.m.
Sandakan Sat., Jan. 3, 10 a.m.

Swatow Sat., Jan. 3, 10 a.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia Sat., Jan. 3, 2.30 p.m.

Straits Sat., Jan. 3, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy Sat., Jan. 3, 5.30 p.m.

Java via Sourabaya Sat., Jan. 3, 3.30 p.m.
Manila Australia and New Zealand
via Brisbane Sat., Jan. 3, 1931

Parcels 4 p.m.
Reg. 4.15 p.m.
Letters 5 p.m.

(Due Brisbane 18th Jan. 1931.)

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Canton Maru Sun., Jan. 4, 9 a.m.

Bangkok via Swatow Klangau Sun., Jan. 4, 9 a.m.

Hsinow and Bangkok Kwangtung Mon., Jan. 5, 10.30 a.m.

Straits and Calcutta Sul Sang Mon., Jan. 5,
Parcels noon.

Letters 1 p.m.
Swatow Hydrangas Mon., Jan. 5, 2.30 p.m.

Amoy Ninghal Mon., Jan. 5, 3.30 p.m.

Manila and Sourabaya Tjibondari Tues., Jan. 6, 9.30 a.m.

Port Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi and
Halphong Tonkin Tues., Jan. 6, 12.30 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Haiching Tues., Jan. 6, 1 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa,
Aden, Egypt and Europe via
Marseilles Sphinx Tues., Jan. 6,
Registration 1 p.m.

Letters 1 p.m.
G. P. O.
Registration 1.45 p.m.

Letters 2.30 p.m.
(Due Marseilles 6th February.)

Straits, Egypt and Europe via
Marseilles Achilles Tues., Jan. 6, 2 p.m.

(Due Marseilles 6th February.)

Manila Pres. Madison Tues., Jan. 6, 4.30 p.m.

Swatow and Amoy Van Heuts Tues., Jan. 6, 5 p.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A.,
C. and S. America and Europe
via Vancouver B.C. and Europe
via Siberia Emp. of Russia Wed., Jan. 7,
Parcels 6th Jan. 5 p.m.

Registration 7th Jan. 9.15 a.m.
Letters 7th Jan. 10 a.m.

(Due Vancouver B.C. 24th Jan. 1931.)

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Haiyang Fri., Jan. 9, 1.00 p.m.

Manila Emp. of Japan Sat., Jan. 10, 8.30 p.m.

*Superscribed Correspondence only.

PROCESS SERVER
"SHAKEN."

ALLEGED CONTENT OF COURT.

A motion to commit the Hon.
Herbert Eaton, of Englefield
Green, Surrey, brother of Lord
Cheylesmore, for contempt of
Court, came before a King's Bench
Divisional Court consisting of
Justices Avory, Swift, and Acton
on Dec. 3.

Mr. Alchin said that Mr. Alfred
Seymour Wood, who lived at
Egham, alleged that he was in-
structed to serve a writ upon Mr.
Eaton concerning a sum claimed
respecting the purchase of a car.
Mr. Wood alleged that Mr. Eaton
seized him with both hands, say-
ing: "This is a hospital case,"
and literally throw him out of the
house.

Mr. Paull, for Mr. Eaton, said
that his client desired to apologise
for what he did. The position was
that Mr. Eaton had not only paid
what was due but also a sum
which was not due, and after he
had done so, he was "bowed with
the writ." Unfortunately, he lost
his temper, took Mr. Wood by the
coat lapels, and shook him. It was
not suggested that Mr. Wood was
hurt.

Mr. Justice Avory said that
there was no doubt that upon the
affidavit, a contempt of court had
been committed, but in view of the
circumstances the Court thought
that justice would be done by
ordering defendant to pay the
costs.

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FOUR NEW PEERS IN THE HONOURS LIST.

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later of Transport. He was educated at an elementary school and has successively been errand boy, shop assistant, telephone operator, and deputy newspaper circulation manager. He entered the L.C.C. and became leader of the Labour party in the Council. He was elected Mayor of Hackney in 1920 and represented S. Hackney in the London Labour Party and Chairman of the National Labour Party in 1929.

Order of Merit.

The Order of Merit has been conferred upon:
Admiral Sir Charles Madden, who was appointed as First Sea Lord of the Admiralty in 1927 in succession to Lord Beatty, but who retired in 1930. He was Commander-in-Chief of the Home and Atlantic Fleets in 1919. First and Principal Naval A.D.C. to the King between 1922-24 and promoted Admiral of the Fleet in 1924. He receives the Order for distinguished services in peace and war.

Mr. Philip Steer, in recognition of this position in the art world. He is a member of the New English Art Club, and honorary member of the Liverpool Academy of Arts. He is recognised as one of the most prominent painters and teachers in the Art World.

Knightships.

New knights include:
Mr. Norman Angell, Labour M.P. for North Bradford since 1929. He is the Editor of *Foreign Affairs* and author of the *Great Illusion* and other works. He has been a cowboy, a gold prospector and a journalist. His book *"The Great Illusion"* has been published in seventeen languages, including Chinese.

Dr. E. Graham Little M.P. for London University since 1924. He is a member of the Senate of the University. Physician in charge of the Skin Department at St. Mary's hospital and Consulting Physician to the East London Hospital for children.

Dr. John B. McEwen, Principal of the Royal Academy of Music since 1924, and Professor of Harmony and Composition for 25 years prior to 1924.

Professor William Rothenstein, Principal of the Royal College of Art since 1920. Trustee of the National Gallery of Millbank and one of the official artists to the British and Canadian Armies during the Great War.

Mr. James Sexton, M.P. for St. Helens since 1918. He is a prominent member of the Labour Party and for nearly forty years has been secretary of the National Union of Dock Labourers. He went to sea at the age of thirteen and is the author of some novels and plays.

Mr. Conrad Naef, Accountant General of the Navy since 1921, in which department he has served since 1895.

Mr. Robert Young, who has been Labour M.P. for the Newton Division of Lancaster since 1919. During Labour's first term of office he was Chairman of Committees and Deputy-Speaker. He has been General Secretary of the Amalgamated Engineers' Union.

Mr. David Owen, the General Manager of the Port of London Authority.

Mr. Hugh Robertson, Founder of the Glasgow Orpheus Choir.

Mr. William Goodchild, Secretary to the British Delegation to the Reparations Commission.

Colonel Weston Jarvis, Chairman of the Council of the Royal Empire Society.

Mr. Lancelot Henry Elphinstone, Chief Justice of the Federated Malay States since 1929, and former Attorney General of Ceylon.

Other decorations include:—
G.C.B.
General Sir Robert Whigham, the King's Aide-de-Camp General.
Sir Oswin Murray, Permanent

Secretary to the Admiralty since 1917.

K.C.B.

Vice-Admiral Wm. Archibald Kelly, formerly commanding the First Battle Squadron, and just appointed to the China Command. Vice-Admiral Reginald William Skelton, Engineer-in-Chief of the Fleet. He superintended the building of the Discovery for the National Antarctic Expedition in 1900 and served in that Expedition as chief engineer under the late Captain Scott.

Mr. Frank Smith, Secretary to the Royal Society.

G.C.M.G.

H. H. Rajah Tanaka Muhammad Yang di Pertuan Besar, Sultan of Negri Sembilan, who was created a Knight Commander (Hon.) of the Order in 1916.

Sir Francis Lindley, Ambassador at Lisbon.
Sir Robert Vansittart, Permanent Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, and Principal Private Secretary to the Prime Minister.

K.C.M.G.

Mr. Arthur William Hill, the Director of Kew Gardens. A much travelled man, he has visited, in the course of botanical researches, Iceland, Bolivia, Peru, West Indies, West Africa, Australia, New Zealand, Java, Malaya and Ceylon.
Mr. Meyrick Hewlett, C.M.G., Consul-General at Nanking since 1908. He has been in China for thirty-two years serving in the defence of the Legations during the Boxer risings.

C.M.G.

Mr. Montague Rendall, the Chairman of the School Empire Tour Committee.

Mr. Oswald White, British Consul-General at Seoul.
Mr. Michael James Lorne, British Resident at Selangor.

Companions of Honour.

Mrs. Helena Swanwick, former British delegate to the League of Nations and president of the Women's International League. She is a member of the Royal Institute of International Affairs and of the Fabian Society.

Dr. Jane Harriet Walker, founder of the Medical Women's Association and Medical Superintendent of the East Anglian Sanatorium at Nayland which she started in 1901. Dr. Walker is specially interested in tuberculosis and was the first to introduce the open-air treatment of the disease into England.

G.C.V.O.

Earl of Albemarle.
Lord Woolvinton, formerly Sir James Buchanan and the well known owner of two Derby winners.

Order British Empire.

Dame Grand Cross.—Lady Aberdeen, the President of the International Council of Women.
Knight Commander.—Mr. Wilfrid Lewis, the *Times* Correspondent at Washington.

Commanders.—Miss Major, head of Girton College, Cambridge, Miss Martindale, Vice-president of the Women's International Association, Prebendary Tudor, Founder of the Church of England Waifs and Strays Society; Professor Sidney Russ for work on radium; Lady McMillan for philanthropic services in Kenya.

G.C.S.I.

Maharajah of Udupur.
Maharajah of Kolhapur, direct descendant of Shivaji the Great, Founder of the Maratha Empire.

K.C.S.I.

The Prime Minister of Nepal.
C.S.I.

Sir Charles Tegart, Police Commissioner in Bengal who, it may be recalled was wounded by extremists in August last, but escaped unhurt. He joined the Indian Police thirty years ago and received his Knighthood in 1926.

R.A.F. Promotions.

Annual New Year promotions in the Royal Air Force include Sir Brooke Popham, who becomes Air Marshal, and Air-Commodore Felton Vesey Holt, who is promoted to the rank of Air-Marshal.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

KNIGHTHOOD FOR MR. HORNELL.

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ledge of the facilities provided by the Colony's major educational institution and securing funds on its behalf.

Boxer Indemnity Effects.

But transcending his activities in this connexion may be mentioned the tremendous amount of work which he put in, both through the local Government and by special visits to London, to secure for the University a share in the Boxer Indemnity Fund. Happily, his labours in this respect have been crowned with success, and it may be presumed that in the conferring of his Knighthood this circumstance has been particularly taken into account.

Nearly Seven Years. Here.

Sir William arrived in Hongkong to take over the Vice-Chancellorship in February, 1924, in succession to Sir William Brunyate. He was previously in the Indian Educational Service for many years, with an interval at the Board of Education in London, and immediately prior to coming to Hongkong was Director of Public Instruction in India. He received the C.I.E. decoration in 1918. He is a brother of Mr. E. B. C. Hornell, former Secretary of the China Sugar Refinery Company. The whole Colony will join with us in sincere congratulation to our new Knight.

Mr. E. W. Carpenter, O.B.E.

Mr. Edgar William Carpenter will also be the recipient of many congratulations on the honour which has been conferred on him and which he so warmly deserves. He has been for nearly thirty years in the service of the Government, during which time he has rendered yeoman service to the Colony. He was appointed Assistant Engineer in the P.W.D. in April, 1901, and by successive steps has risen to the important position of Assistant Director of Public Works. He was for some time in charge of the Drainage Department, but has for some years been Assistant Director with special reference to Kowloon and the New Territories.

In 1926, he was a member of the Bathing Beaches Resources Committee and in 1929 was a member of the Labour Advisory Board and Water Emergency Officer in connexion with the water shortage crisis, rendering extremely valuable services.

During his lengthy residence in the Colony, he has made innumerable friends, and has been especially associated with the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, of which he has been Commodore. A hard worker and a man of sterling qualities, he was well earned the honour which now falls to him.

Sergt. Maj. W. H. Edmonds, M.B.E. Sergeant Major William Harold Edmonds, who gets the M.B.E. decoration, has for many years been prominently associated with the Volunteer Defence Corps, in which he has long held his present rank, whilst during the absence of Mr. Westlake on leave he has acted as Corps Sergeant Major. He is extremely popular amongst all who have come into contact with him, and the honour now conferred is a mark of his extremely valuable services. He arrived in the Colony in February, 1911, on being appointed Second Class Overseer in the P.W.D., and in 1914 was promoted First Class Overseer. Ten years later, he became Senior Overseer, and in 1925 the title was altered to that of Inspector of Works.

Mr. Walter Kent.

The honour conferred on Mr. Walter Kent, A.S.P., marks the conclusion of a lengthy career with the Hongkong Police, which began in 1898, when he was appointed constable in the Force. He became Sergeant in 1904, Second-Class Inspector in 1914, and full Inspector in 1919.

He was for a time Inspector in charge of the Traffic Department,

CINEMA NOTES.

"THE DIVINE LADY" AT MAJESTIC.

Possibly never before on the screen have so many famous historical characters been depicted in one picture as in "The Divine Lady," First National's big production starring Corinne Griffith, now showing at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon. With one or two minor exceptions, every character in the picture is an actual historical personage. Moreover, their actual existences have not been tampered with in the slightest degree for the sake of the story.

Lady Hamilton and Lord Nelson, played by Miss Griffith and Victor Varconi, are the principal characters. H. B. Warner has the role of Lord Hamilton, Ambassador to Naples. Then there are such famous personages as the Duchess of Argyll, the King and Queen of Naples, the King and Queen of England, Napoleon, George Romney, the painter, Edmund Burke, Sir William Pitt and many other statesmen and members of the royalty of that time.

"The Divine Lady," a screen version of E. Barrington's novel of Nelson, was directed by Frank Lloyd as First National's biggest production of the year.

"In Gay Madrid."

Ramon Novarro is starred in the current attraction at the Queen's Theatre, entitled "In Gay Madrid." This is a dramatic romance, in which the eternal triangle comes in for treatment. The play runs along conventional lines, but it is made attractive by the excellence of the production, the splendid acting and some quite tuneful music. Ramon Novarro has the part of a young blood who is packed off to a small city in order that he may be cut off from the gay life of Madrid. Of course, he falls in love and there are the customary complications and misunderstandings, ending in a duel which, however, does not prove a sufficiently serious affair to interfere with the happy ending of the story.

In his love-making, his dramatic acting and his vocal numbers, Ramon Novarro is really excellent, whilst Dorothy Jordan plays opposite to him with much effect. All the other parts are in good hands, and the production as one which is sure to satisfy.

Besides the main film, there is an excellent news reel, in one item of which Mr. Baldwin gives his views on dumping, as well as a clever little study by Gertrude Lawrence entitled "Early Mourning."

21 YEARS AGO.

SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following extracts are from the *Hongkong Telegraph* for the week ended December 31, 1909.

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The rate of the dollar, on demand was 1s. 9.9/16d.

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The marriage took place at St. John's Cathedral of Mr. A. L. Sutton and Miss R. E. Kennett.

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Thirteen Chinese were publicly executed at Canton for participating in armed robberies.

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Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher was appointed Registrar of Trade Marks.

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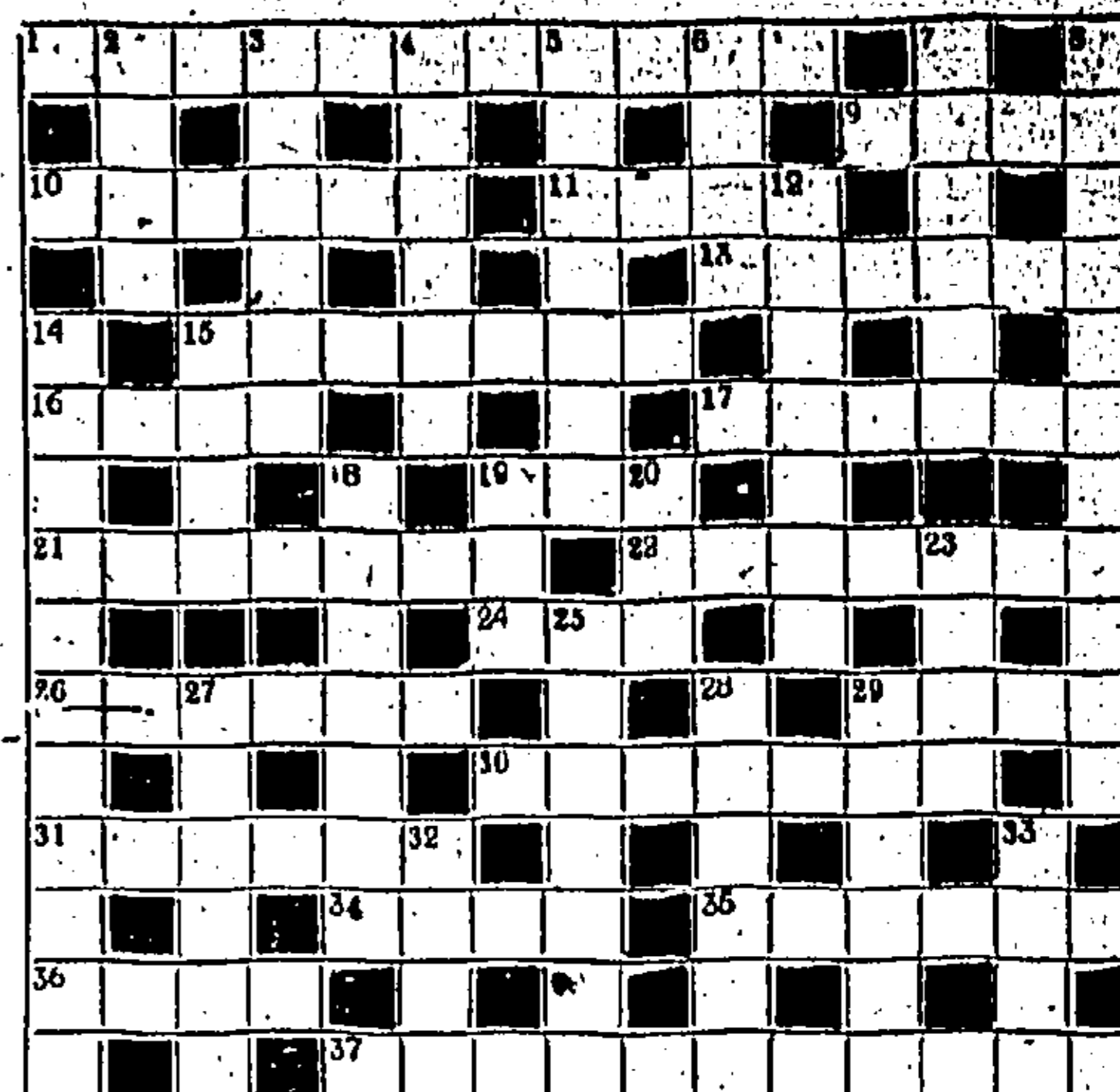
The annual cricket match between Hongkong C.C. and the United Services ended in a draw. T. E. Pearce scored 51 and 35, and A. C. E. Ellborough 135.

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became Chief Inspector in 1916, and in 1928 was elevated to the rank of Assistant Superintendent, whilst in the following year he became Adjutant of the Police Reserve.

Mr. Kent has in all some 50 years' Imperial service to his credit, and the mark of favour now conferred on him is in every way deserved. He has rendered fine service to the Colony, and will be greatly missed when he goes on well-earned retirement.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 "Try man pilot" (anag.).
- 9 Only a joke.
- 10 Human was, instead of Mordecai.
- 11 A large-scale map.
- 13 This male becomes a motherly female if you rob him of a letter.
- 15 Followers of Loloyn.
- 16 It were an unusual aspect, but he never considered that (hidden).
- 17 An Indian curtain.
- 19 Entirely out of place.
- 21 A duck of a bird.
- 22 You are at liberty here.
- 24 Frequently in a loft.
- 25 Qualified by the gods.
- 29 Take this present from a heretic and leave him with a pain.
- 30 A snail or a strong breeze (North Country word).
- 31 Footlights are this.
- 34 Transported, and, soundly, enfolded.
- 35 Imprison.
- 36 This may be dropped without damage.
- 37 "Fend, true men" (anag.).

Down

- 2 Might be described as a mediaeval burglar-stap.
- 3 Riotous revelry.
- 4 Begins with the sound of a reviving beverage, but cannot escape boredom.
- 5 This kind of behaviour keeps good things in the family.
- 6 Hasn't that solo a merry lit, Henry? (hidden).
- 7 Beaten but not necessarily skinned.
- 8 A laundry requisite and some fossilised rum show a tribunal which was abolished in the reign of Charles I.

- 12 If good, this kind of person is frequently imposed on.
- 14 "I sing to you" (anag.).
- 15 The less usual spelling of a retreat from the busy world.
- 18 Here the boss may be a German.
- 19 Bragging sometimes ends in this bother.
- 20 A little reptile that takes refuge in a cleft.
- 23 He gets things done.
- 25 A French window.
- 27 Appearances notwithstanding, a knowledge of shipping is not necessary to this kind of person.
- 28 Asseverate—soundly a business concern.
- 29 Judging by his name, this fellow has already got a girl.
- 32 Does not always require a wheel for its spinning.
- 33 Yes, nip in early—you won't rue it, it's a good show (hidden).

Wednesday's Solution.

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KANSAS COLLEGE
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ELECTRICITY
BISMUTH EARLY
LITTLE TUNIC
I SINGLE PASSION
NAMES ATIN
DUPE CHANT ECRU
NORTH TAIL LUFF
EARTHEN COUSINE
SILENT LINE
SULKY EMOLUMENT

AN ARCHBISHOP'S RETORT.

MIXED MARRIAGES.

Dr. Downey, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Liverpool, has issued a strongly worded reply to the statement by Dr. David, Bishop of Liverpool, on mixed marriages.

"The Bishop," Dr. Downey said, "has been asked for proof of two charges which he made against the Catholic Church in Liverpool. He has said that priests in Liverpool have denied the validity

of mixed marriages and the legitimacy of children of mixed marriages in English law. By way of proof he cites five cases where priests have denied the validity of such marriages in Canon law. What is the sense in this?

"He cites one case of a priest declaring children of a mixed marriage illegitimate. I shall investigate the case at once.

"Part of his Lordship's pronouncements emits more heat than light. The statement that the Roman Church reserves this weapon of fear for the unlearned and the poor is as beneath contempt as it is incapable of proof."

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FRIDAY, JAN. 2, 1931.

SWEEPSTAKES FOR HOSPITALS.

The recent legalisation of sweepstakes, within certain limits, by the Hongkong Government invests with interest the efforts which are being made at home along the same lines. We read in London newspapers that the Appeal Director of St. Bartholomew's Hospital has been approached with a view to running a big sweepstake on the lines of that recently conducted on behalf of Irish Hospitals. That sweepstake was run in connexion with an English Turf event, the November Handicap, but it could not be held in England, as the law there prohibits such methods of raising money. In Ireland, however, conditions are otherwise.

According to the St. Bart's official, prompt legalisation for a limited number of controlled schemes seems not only to be desirable but absolutely necessary. He says he has been approached by interests in a position to guarantee a prize fund up to half a million sterling, and he sees no reason why hospitals should not be permitted to benefit from such a method. It is evident, from the expressions of opinion in the newspapers, that the general public is very desirous of having the law affecting lotteries and sweepstakes altered. In the November Handicap thirty people divided £400,000 allotted as prizes in the Irish Free State Sweepstake. From this sweepstake, mainly financed by English money and concerning a race run in England by English jockeys, over £120,000 was rendered available for distribution amongst Irish hospitals. It is not surprising, therefore, that English people should be asking why sweepstakes are not legalised in England. It is evident that English people do engage in sweepstakes, in spite of Post Office and other Government restrictions. It is also true that English hospitals are in need of money, and that they could easily secure it by this method. In this connexion, a prominent hospital official has mooted a scheme for raising money by a big British sweepstake abroad, but people would naturally prefer that it should be run in England. However, a questionnaire is being issued as a preliminary step to test public feeling, and if the response is favourable, as it must certainly will be, it is hoped that the Government may consider the institution of

State lotteries from which hospitals and other deserving causes would draw a proportion of the funds. Some people object to the idea of the Government making revenue out of "tainted" money, but, strangely enough, they do not object to the duties imposed on liquor.

Here in Hongkong, as the law stands, there is now no bar to hospitals or other charitable organisations raising money by means of sweepstakes, provided they first receive official permission, and we can see no reason why big annual schemes of this nature should not be instituted in place of some of the existing methods of securing funds. We cannot, on the other hand, envisage the Government running lotteries itself, although as an alternative means of raising funds and giving the public the benefit of possible large winnings, the Premium Bond scheme would have much to commend it. Despite all that may be said, the fact has to be recognised, both here and at home, that the gambling instinct cannot be wholly suppressed by law, and, within well-controlled limits, we can see no harm accruing from well-conducted sweepstakes on behalf of deserving causes. In due course, no doubt the English law on the subject will undergo considerable modification, especially since Governments have not objected in the past to raising revenue by means of betting taxes.

SCHNEIDER RACE ENTRIES.

FRANCE COMES IN AT THE
LAST MINUTE.

BRITISH STIMULUS.

Paris, Dec. 31.

The French Aero Club has notified the entering of three seaplanes in the 1931 Schneider Trophy Competition. The entries were made to-day, the last date for the receipt.

An official of the club said that it was not yet possible to give a description of the machines.

London, Dec. 31.

Italy, Great Britain and France have now entered for the Schneider Trophy Race. The United States has given no indication of her intention to compete.

The Royal Aero Club to-day received the entry on behalf of France of three seaplanes for Schneider Race.

Britain holds the trophy having captured it from Italy in 1927 at Venice and held it in 1929 against the only competitor Italy.

If Britain wins the coming race, in which France and Italy are challengers, she secures the Trophy outright.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cabled quotations at the close of the sugar markets on Wednesday have been received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co.:—

London Terminals.

March 5/6½ up 2½d.
May 6/8½ up 2½d.
August 6/11½ up 3d.
December 6/4 up 2½d.

New York Terminals.

March 1.22 up 1 pt.
May 1.30 unchanged.
July 1.37 down 2 pts.
September 1.45 down 2 pts.
December 1.53 down 2 pts.
Liverpool 31/12/30.—According to advices from New York liquidation appears to be temporarily finished.

IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES.

LORD READING APPOINTED PRESIDENT.

London, Dec. 31.

A meeting of the directors of the Imperial Chemical Industries held this afternoon, unanimously elected Sir Harry McGowan, to succeed Lord Melchett as the chairman and managing director of the company, and appointed the Marquis of Reading to be president of the company.—*British Wireless.*

DAY BY DAY

ENGLISHMEN DO NOT LIKE ORIGINALITY IN A WOMAN; THEY PREFER THEIR FEMALE BELONGINGS TO BE TURNED OUT ALL ON THE SAME PATTERN, LIKE FIDDLINGS OUT OF A MOULD.—*Lady Gwyne.*

The R.M.S. Empress of Canada left Yokohama on the 1st Jan. and is due at Vancouver on the 9th Jan.

An apprentice carpenter of 60, Parkes Street, Yau-mat, was removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital yesterday suffering from injuries received by being assaulted by an unemployed Chinese who was armed with a chopper.

A report has been made to the Kowloon City Police, by Mr. G. B. Labrum, that thieves entered his residence, No. 5, York Road, Kowloon Tong, between the hours of midnight and 7 a.m. on the 31st December and stole property to the value of \$100.

In a report to the police yesterday, Mrs. F. P. da Silva, of 3, Observatory Villas, stated that between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. on New Year's Day somebody fired a small metal missile or a bullet from an airgun or catapult through her bedroom window, causing damage to the extent of \$1.

The list of naval promotions for the half-year has been issued. The local names include: Lieut.-Comdr. A. F. de Salla of L.M.S. Kent who is to be Commander, and Paymaster Comdr. C. S. Johnson, D.S.O., also of H. M. S. Kent, who is to be Pay Captain. Lieut.-Comdr. S. N. Blackburn, who brought H.M.S. Vindictive last year, has been promoted to Commander.

HIGH JINKS AT THE KOWLOON F.C.

HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL NEW YEAR CARNIVAL.

Undoubtedly the most successful New Year's Day carnival of the many organised by the Kowloon Football Club, yesterday's frolics at the Club's grounds provided endless amusement for a very large crowd.

Sir Circumference De Tong having apparently by divers means become a naturalised Scotman, appeared in full regalia, and carried out the duties of Master of Ceremonies with his usual aplomb, whatever that may mean. The fancy dress football match created sufficient diversion to cause complete forgetfulness as to the state of the score, and the officials in serious conclave afterwards decided that the Single men had managed to draw.

The motor-cycle football provided a thrilling encounter, the Volunteers winning by six goals to two after Kowloon had obtained the opening goal. The Club will send for auction shortly spare motor-cycle parts (slightly damaged).

The raffles were immensely popular. The winners were Mr. Revie (a case of beer presented by Messrs. Caldbeck, McGregor), Mr. Russell (a scooter, presented by Messrs. Lane, Crawford), and Miss Farrell (a case of whisky (presented by Messrs. Gande, Price)). It is understood that Miss Farrell became immediately popular.—*K.*

HANNEN SWAFFER'S NEW ROLE.

By A. J. CUMMINGS.

HANNEN SWAFFER is to be the great new force in English spiritualism.

Yes, Hannen Swaffer, the wild man who roams about the world of dramatic criticism armed with a bludgeon and does not mind a slap or two in return—he, Swaffer, has been chosen to succeed Sir Arthur Conan Doyle as prophet, priest and king.

He would deny this. But, anyway, he is now honorary president both of the Spiritualist Community and of the Spiritualist National Union, and the latter boasts over 450 churches.

It is in many ways a remarkable position. There are no formal offices, no graded privileges, no articles of faith, no costly churches in this now, strangely familiar, age-long religion which is now infiltrating its pervasive influence into all the spiritual communions and stealing behind the armour of agnosticism itself.

Hannen Swaffer will derive all his authority from his own personality and the trust and goodwill of the faithful.

Speaking with the deference due from an outsider, I think he will make good. Those who may imagine that he communes with spirits merely as an exciting stunt, or merely to obtain a novel setting for the display of his versatile gifts, are surely mistaken. After half an hour's conversation with the new prophet, the bare idea was dismissed from my mind as unworthy and unjust.

It was less a conversation than an impassioned monologue. For half an hour Hannen Swaffer, armed with extended and eyes gleaming, gave forth the faith that was in him in a torrent of eloquence and with a flaming intensity that would have put many dead revivalists to shame. He was not trying to convince or convert me. He was answering a question, stating a case.

The question I asked was: "Are the spiritualists increasing rapidly in numbers?"

"We do not want to increase our numbers in the sense you mean," was the unexpected reply. "Religionists of all kinds come to us and go back, large numbers of them to their own churches or to other churches, carrying with them something they have gained—a new experience, a new understanding, a new attitude to life."

"Do not confuse us or our aims with the organised churches. The first church ever built was Christianity's worst blunder. We do not make converts to kneel on the penitents' bench. We have something vital to give to all men and all churches. It is psychic knowledge and psychic power which will ultimately regenerate the universe; abolishing cruelty, war, misery and injustice."

"Psychic power is latent in all of us. It must be so, for man is a spirit and the body is but his case-moment. In some of us it may develop in a day; in others long years may elapse before the quest is gained."

"It is amazing how many men and women everywhere in all conditions of life have psychic experiences that journalists never hear of. For many are afraid to tell. An Anglican clergyman told me the other day that he knew scores of ministerial colleagues who had confessed to definite experiences of this kind, but 'dare not mention them in the pulpit. Sir Oliver Lodge, though a spiritualist, hesitates to come on to our platform. Lord Haig was a spiritualist. And Mr. Swaffer, the wild man who roams about the world of dramatic criticism armed with a bludgeon and does not mind a slap or two in return—he, Swaffer, has been chosen to succeed Sir Arthur Conan Doyle as prophet, priest and king."

Upton Sinclair was now, he said, on the fringe of it—examining his own wife's mediumship.

David Bolasco admitted the whole case and ascribed part of his powers as a producer to spirit aid; Master-Jinck, who had written part of the case into "The Blue Bird" and its sequel, had come out boldly; Lombroso, the great Italian criminologist, had gone the whole hog. It was hard to know where to begin and end.

"Yes," he said, in answer to an open question, "the direct voice is simple enough, if the right conditions are present. Messages are showered upon us daily; only a few get through the barrier. Every night before I go to sleep I am greeted with a tap on the wall, always wherever I am, the same distinctive tap, without relation to the thickness or texture of the wall. There may be such taps to you, but if you are insensitive you will never hear them."

Some persons, I understood Mr. Swaffer to suggest, are so insensitive that they do not even know when they are dead—or, as one should say, passed over.

Rudolph Valentino, the film star, for example, Mr. Swaffer told me that Valentino, after passing over, ran along the streets, not of the celestial city, but of the Broadway, New York, crying miserably upon all his friends and acquaintances to speak to him. He did not know he was dead.

Another little-known piece of psychic information is that as soon as it is ascertained in the spirit world that a seance is to be held on this lower plane there are careful preparations on the other side to make it, if possible, a success.

The stage is set, so to speak; and all the lighting and other effects are thoroughly and sympathetically organised. And there is a very earthly scramble to take part.

"Spirits are so eager to get through," said Mr. Swaffer, that when the news of a coming seance is received spirit queues are immediately formed."

In the Queue.

I wanted to know if there was any jostling in the queue; whether, indeed, spirit queues are at all closely related to our familiar physical queues. The answer seems to be that over the border they are thought-sensations. There you see, feel, taste and smell with the mind. Jostling is the crude expression of an unenlightened materialist.

One was glad to learn from Mr. Swaffer that the Great War was a deadly grief as well as a grave embarrassment to the spirit world. Hundreds of thousands of the slain passed over unready for the change and pathetically bewildered; and the ministering spirits found these sad newcomers unusually difficult to handle.

It is for reasons such as these, says Mr. Swaffer, that the spirit world objects with all its strength to capital punishment, which despiritualises not only those who are responsible, directly and indirectly, but sends the victim into the next world sullen and angry, so that he returns to exact vengeance.

"I Held My Peace."

It objects to all conceivable forms of cruelty for the same reasons. Its mission is one of peace and beauty and benevolence and love.

Ignorance is the curse of God; and it is my misfortune that I am puzzled over Rudolph Valentino's strange behaviour after death and that I cannot think of those busy spirit queues in the planes above without the usual smile of incredulous folly.

But as one listened to Mr. Swaffer's electrifying exposition of a philosophy at once comforting and sublime, it would have seemed almost a profanity to intrude a doubt or demand a proof, and humbly I held my peace.

I could appreciate what he meant when he said that he had lost the capacity for fear in the moral world. I can understand also why so many thousands flock to hear him in this country and abroad when he reveals—well, whatever it is that spiritualist leaders do reveal.

U.S. BANKING FIRMS ACQUISITION.

MR. PARKER GILBERT TO JOIN MORGAN'S.

New York, Dec. 31.
It is announced that Mr. Parker Gilbert, former Agent-General for Reparations in Germany, is becoming a partner in the famous banking firm of J.P. Morgan & Co.



"She came running out and said we should hold this until they get little Eric to sleep."

HINDUS ON LEAGUE PRECEDENT.**MINORITY PROBLEMS OF INDIA.****DISCUSSION AT THE ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE.****THE N.W. FRONTIER.**

London, Dec. 31. At the Round Table Conference to-day the Prime Minister presided over a meeting of the Minorities sub-committee, at which views were expressed on behalf of several of the smaller minority communities, including the Indian Christians, with special reference to the Catholic section, the Parsees, the Anglo-Indians and the European business community.

The Committee then began consideration of the attitude of the large minorities which will be continued to-morrow.

A meeting of the Federal Structure Sub-Committee, under Lord Sankey, this afternoon discussed the desirability of reserving special seats in the legislature for representatives of certain classes with special interests. This was followed by a general discussion as to the methods by which representatives of the federal legislature should be chosen.

Federal Legislature.

In some quarters it was advocated that the members of Upper House of Legislature should be chosen by the Provincial Legislatures and those of the lower by direct election.

In another quarter the view was expressed that direct election to both houses should apply, notwithstanding difficulties in the way of carrying out an election.

Another view was that a definite opinion on this point should be postponed until the powers and functions of the two houses and the relations of the Legislature to the Executive were decided.

One of the British delegates suggested that the upper house should be a Chamber representative of the governments of the federal units and that the lower should be representative of the provincial legislatures. The discussion will continue on Friday.

Hindu-Muslim Differences.

London, Jan. 1. The Minorities sub-committee of the Conference this morning continued its discussion on the Hindu-Muslim differences. On behalf of the Hindus it was suggested that the method whereby the League of Nations had dealt with the European minorities questions, offered a precedent for India.

In dealing with European minorities, the principle has been accepted that they should be so defined and treated as not to destroy the unity of the state. The majority in India were prepared to give the minorities the greatest measure of protection on the lines adopted by the League and to give freedom for the exercise and development of their religion, race, language and culture.

An appeal was made to pool interests for the good of the new India.

For the Moslem minority, it was stated that the principle of weightage has been regarded as necessary throughout the history of the treatment of minorities in India and had worked well. The process of evolution might make joint electorates possible but meanwhile they relied on the former pledges that separate electorates would remain unless relinquished voluntarily. As to the League precedent conditions in India were entirely different.

N. W. Frontier Report.

The report of the sub-committee on the North West frontier province showed unanimity on the urgent need for reform. It recommends that the five administered districts should cease to be, as they are at present, a centrally administered territory under the direct control of the Government of India and that they should be given the status of a Governor's province, subjects to such adjustment of detail as local circumstances require.

The Sub-committee recommends that the Executive consist of a Governor, assisted by the advice of two Ministers, drawn from among the non-official members of the Legislature, at least one of whom shall be elected. Also recommended a unicameral Legislative Council with a membership not more than forty consisting of elected and nominated elements, the latter not to exceed fourteen out of the forty, and of those not more than six to eight officials.

K.C.C. CHILDREN'S SPORTS.**NEW YEAR FUNCTION BIG SUCCESS.****LADY PEEL PRESENT.**

It was children's day at the Kowloon Cricket Club yesterday when hundreds attended the club grounds to take part in the sports that are held there every New Year's Day. A bright sun added to the pleasure of the afternoon, which passed off without a hitch. As usual, adults were there in large numbers, and found plenty to occupy their attention in the many races, side-shows and the band of H.M.S. Suffolk.

The President of the Club (Mr. R. E. Lindsell) before calling on Lady Peel to present the prizes, said that that afternoon, the 25th annual sports, had undoubtedly been the most successful they had held. He wished to emphasise the fact that the events were not closed to Kowloon children only, but were open to all in the Colony. He thanked the many generous contributors to the prize fund and declared that the meeting was held entirely on voluntary subscriptions. It was rather invidious to make particular mention, but he desired to thank Mr. J. H. Taggart, but for whose generous donation year after year, the club would have had to cut down the prizes. He thanked the many helpers who had helped to make the function a success, and also Lady Peel on consenting to present the prizes.

Among the many people who were present were Lady Peel, and Mr. G. W. Tufton (private secretary to H. E. the Governor), Rt. Rev. C. R. Duppuy (Bishop of Victoria), Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Dyer and Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Kotewall. Results:

Boys' Events.

Potato race (10 to 12).—Stanley Lee, James Winyard, Norman Lee. Boat race (under 12).—Stanley Lee, William Tein, Tony Reis. Obstacle race (10 to 14).—Leonard Phillips, Regina Lacombe, Jack Mackay. Relay race (10 to 14).—Norman Lee, Graeme, Waller, Ronald Holden, Alfred Williams. Flat race (6 to 9).—Francis Gorge, Henry Williams, Malcolm Hale, Sack race (8 to 14).—Graeme Waller, Joseph Pereira, Jack Mackay.

Tug of war (10 to 14).—J. Sharp, Edward Firth, Jimmy Staple, Gordon Marks, William Hill, Charles Lott, Eric Rapley. Flat race (4 to 7).—Fleming Kinnard, Arthur Charlton, Noel Ralph. Three-legged race (10 to 14).—James Winyard and Desmond Roylance, Tony Sanh and V. Bond, Norman Lee and Jeffrey Arnold. Flat race (8 to 10).—Francis Gorge, Harry Williams, Eric Stone. Flat race (four and under).—Geoffrey Keeley, Frank Sabey, Jimmy Ramsey. Wheelbarrow race (9 to 14).—George Lee and Mickey Wood, Edward Firth and Ronald Egan, Philip Egan and Tony Sanh. Consolation race (under 14).—S. Gardner, Osler Thomas, George Silva.

Girls' Events.

Skipper race (10 to 14).—Peggy Stringer, Cinie Remedios, Georgina Lott. Flat race (6 to 9).—Freda Gahill, Doris Firth, Dorothy McCaw. Skipper race (under 10).—Tamara Firth, Doris Firth, Vivian Beaumont. Flat race (under 9).—Mary Hayes, Jean Robinson, Freda Smith. Potato race (10 to 14).—Marie Smith, Doreen Harold, Muriel McCaw. Skipper competition (10 to 14).—Violet Bradbury, Nancy Banker, Mary Lay. Flat race (under 14).—Virginia Beaumont, Doreen Harold, Cinie Remedios. Musical chairs (8 to 14).—Rae Blackmore, Jean Fraser, Dorothy Raven. Egg and spoon race (under 14).—Doreen Brown, Mona Shand, Georgina Lott. Flat race (6 to 14).—Florie Fowler, Gwyneth Lloyd, Cynthia Sanh. Flat race (under 4).—Jean Hale, Margaret Lang, Fay Carlo. Relay race (9 to 14).—Cissy Silva, Violet Bradbury, Virginia Beaumont, Cynthia Sanh. Consolation race (under 14).—Margaret Gow, Barbara Davey, Vivian Lyle. Band race—Challen, Rees, Fitzgerald.

FOUND STABBED.**BODY OF CHINESE IN KOWLOON GODOWN.**

Stabbed through the heart, the body of Leung Muk, aged 30, a seaman employed on a lighter, was found in No. 3 Godown of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company Limited, on Wednesday night. The case is obviously one of the murder.

The body was found by godown coolies about 7 p.m., and the Tsimshatsui Police Station was immediately informed. The man was lying on his back, with a wound in his left breast, evidently inflicted with a sharp weapon. The heart had been penetrated.

Little is known of the murdered man except that he lived on the lighter on which he was employed. Police can find no motive for the deed.

CANADA LOOKING TO FAR EAST.**DEVELOPMENT OF WHEAT EXPORT MARKETS.****MR. BENNETT'S VIEWS.**

Ottawa, Dec. 31. A reference to the prospects of the Imperial Economic Conference next year was made by the Prime Minister at Regina, Saskatchewan, to-day in his first public speech since his return from London.

Dealing with the grain marketing problem, Mr. Bennett forecast the creation of a financial corporation, with the backing of the Canadian Government, to assist the distressed farmers, particularly in the direction of adopting mixed farming.

He announced a guarantee by the French Government for the purchase of from seven to nine million bushels of this year's crop, and said that negotiations have been opened, under the Federal Credit Guarantees Act, for enlarging the market for Canadian grain and other products in China and elsewhere in the East.

He added that the Federal Government considered that the United States' policy of fixing wheat

THE "TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT.**Interesting Pictures To-Morrow.**

There will be many pictures of topical interest in to-morrow's issue of the Telegraph Art Supplement.

These will include several taken at the New Territories Agricultural Show, groups of the English and Scottish football teams which met on Christmas Day, and the game between China and Portugal, the Christmas party at the Water Police Station, the Rugby match between England and the Rest, and the visit of officers of the Spanish naval training ship to the Spanish Procurator.

The Fanling Hunt meeting will be illustrated, and there will also be a group of the Committee of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

Weddings illustrated will be those of Lieut. G. Wolfe-Barry and Miss Constance Cree, Mr. Y. S. Chan and Miss J. Choi, and Mr. Reginald Jan See-chin and Miss Myrtle Quin-Yen.

There will also be a fine picture taken at the annual dinner of the China Association in London, showing several past and present residents of Hongkong among the guests.

prices was uneconomic. The main hope for wheat in Canada was the development of export markets, particularly in the Far East.

Mr. Bennett said he believed that as a result of the Imperial Economic Conference at Ottawa in the Autumn agreements for mutually broader Empire marketing would be initiated.—*Reuter's American Service.*

A PARENTAL PROBLEM.**MAN WISHES TO KNOW NAME OF MOTHER.**

Stockholm, Nov. 26. The Swedish Government will soon have to decide the intricate problem of a Swedish subject, aged fifty-three, who has applied for information as to who his mother was. In 1877 an unknown lady was delivered of a boy in the Swedish parish of Viestad, and after a short stay there she left for abroad. Before her departure she gave a sealed letter to the vicar of the church, with instructions that it should not be opened by anyone but the foster-father of the child. The foster-father some ten years afterwards left Sweden for the United States and is now dead. The vicar, as well as the chapter of Vexio, considered that they have no application to the Government.

All the ecclesiastical authorities agree that the vicar is right, while on the other hand some lawyers hold that it is not just to deny an abandoned child knowledge about his mother. The Code Napoleon embodied the rule that it is forbidden to investigate paternity, but otherwise no laws apply to the present protect the anonymity of the mother. In this case it was evidently the intention of the mother that her identity should be revealed to the boy after the lapse of some years, and considering the fact that the birth happened fifty-three years ago, it is argued that the Crown ought to act as foster-father.

CHARITY SOCCER MATCH.**ELEVEN GOALS REGISTERED YESTERDAY.****CIVILIANS WIN.**

Goals are what the average spectator of football glomours for, and because eleven were registered in the charity match between the Services and Civilians, at Soekunpoo on New Year's Day, a crowd of over 3,000 went away from the ground well satisfied with the entertainment provided.

There were goals which were cleverly conceived and effected and others which called for little merit for the scorers and a whole heap of condemnation on the defenders, but they all contributed in the making-up of a game, which at times was featured by brilliant football, and was always full of interest.

In addition, the result, a 6-5 decision in favour of the Civilians, was a fair one and just about reflected the general trend of the exchanges.

The chief impression gained from the match was the first half impotence of two sets of defenders against two lines of forwards, whose pronounced ability to make use of the slightest opportunity of putting the ball in the net, made goal-getting appear the most simple phase of the game. Every movement of attack during these hectic 45 minutes was fraught with danger for these in defence, and after a thrilling struggle, the attackers emerged definitely superior.

Collectively, there was little to choose between the teams. Both adopted the open method of attack, positioned well, passed the ball speedily and with accuracy, and made the goal their one objective. Under these circumstances the game naturally developed into a series of fast-moving exchanges, the ball being flashed from end to end in a manner which kept the spectators on the tip-toes of excitement. One of the most enjoyable features was the clever teamwork displayed on both sides, when individualism was forgotten for the more progressive policy of uniform attack. The Civilians were slightly the better team because they remained a unit for the whole ninety minutes, whereas the Services suffered occasional lapses, when, in all departments, they were desultory and ragged.

For the Civilians, Clarke of the Police, although beaten five times, gave a sound performance, and had little chance with the shots which passed him. The biggest blunders came from strange and Lai Ting-sang, whose covering work was anything but good.

They were also responsible for some very half-hearted tackling, and did not appear to treat the virile Services with sufficient respect. Hedley (Kowloon) was a tower of strength at right half, accomplishing a tremendous amount of excellent work both in defence and attack. Oram (Police) found Atkin a severe handful and was inclined to be slow, but with Lam Yick-ying (Athletic) on his left flank, giving a splendid exhibition, the intermediate line was well able to hold its own, and find plenty of scope to assist the forwards.

The whole vanguard line played cleverly, with Pile and E. Gosano forming a right wing which harassed the Services' defence throughout the game. Pile worked indefatigably to keep Gosano plied with those forward passes on which the speedy Reerele winger thrives, and Lim in the pivotal position made full use of Gosano's finishing work. Sabban and Fung King-cheung were not quite so effective on the left wing, though the latter was responsible for some remarkable footwork.

The Services were best served by Hay at centre-half, Yeoman (left half), Peacock (inside right), Atkin (centre-forward) and Campbell (inside-left). Atkin led the forward with great dash, but the rearguard were never too confident.

After the first moiety, which yielded nine goals, the second half provided periods of inconsequential play which promised to lead nowhere, though interest in the exchanges never lagged. Pile (two), Lim (3) scored for the Civilians in the first "45." Atkin (2), Campbell and Peacock replying for the Services. Lim scored again after the change-over, and Campbell responded in the closing minutes of the game.

H.E. the Governor (Sir William Peel) was amongst the spectators, and the Commodore (Capt. A. H. Walker) kicked off. The game was in the charge of Mr. Baldwin and during the afternoon, the Wailes and Drums of the South Wales Borderers, rendered selections.

Club v. University. The following will represent to the Club 2nd XI in their match against University on Saturday at 2.30 p.m.—Forwill: Stoker, Potouloff, Sloan, Panabacco, Hynes, Smith, Bell, Strange, Jackson, and Fowler. Reserves:—Tavlin and Hooper.

BLACK LIST OF 400,000 NAMES.**INTERNATIONAL POLICE FORCE AT WORK.****LIFE STORIES.**

Hopes of effective international police co-operation in the fight against crime will shortly be realised if plans developed at Vienna by the International Commission of Criminal Police are successfully carried out.

There are many tricksters—international confidence men, mostly—who know their way about the capitals (and prisons) of Europe and America better than the average British citizen knows his own county.

War against international crime is organised and directed from the head office of the International Commission, which has its general headquarters in the "Polzeidirkpion," the Scotland Yard of Vienna.

It is under the control of the Austrian Federal Authorities and operates in close touch with the headquarters of the Federal police, housed on the same floor of the big building.

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Unlike Scotland Yard, the Vienna police headquarters houses every section of the police departments, except that dealing with police dogs.

Alongside is the State Prison, with accommodation for several thousand, with a private passageway from the prison to the police record and registration department.

Thus the authorities have facilities for preparing and keeping up to date the thousands of neat files of criminals, which fill miles of shelves in the Record Departments of the force.

Under the one roof are the police training colleges, departments of criminology, photography, research, chemical laboratories, wireless telegraphic installations, registers of finger-prints and criminal record and a wonderfully interesting Black Museum—the relics of past crimes.

All these departments are available to the International Commission and it was through the Vienna criminal registers that the International Black List of known criminals came into being.

Arranged in order are no fewer than 400,000 files and 200,000 photographs.

Each file is prefaced with a detailed pen picture of the man, his characteristics and mental and physical state, the document being signed in the man's own handwriting and sealed with a black print of his fingers and thumbs.

Forgers' Art.

Forgery, particularly of currency notes, is a strong line of the international crook and several printing plants in Austria have been seized by the authorities in efforts to prevent floods of spurious notes.

Some of the forgeries which I saw in the Black Museum are clever reproductions. British £5 and £10 notes were among them.

One of the best examples was an Austrian note drawn and coloured freehand by a boy of 14!

Wireless pictures and messages, and the frequent use of police aeroplanes are making it more and more difficult for the international crook to flourish, and if international co-operation of police forces develops as the promoters of the scheme hope, the days of big coups will almost be at an end.

THE RIGHT OF FREE SPEECH.**EARL WINTERTON AND PAID INTERRUPTORS.**

Earl Winterton, speaking at the United Club dinner in London on December 3, said that he thought the Conservative Party was prone to be too respectable. In the Victorian sense of the word, and too conventional.

"I will give an example," he said. "For years past, until, perhaps, the last few months, Socialist rowdies, many of them paid, have howled down Conservative candidates at elections in scores of constituencies to such an extent that often the electors have not once heard the presentation of our case."

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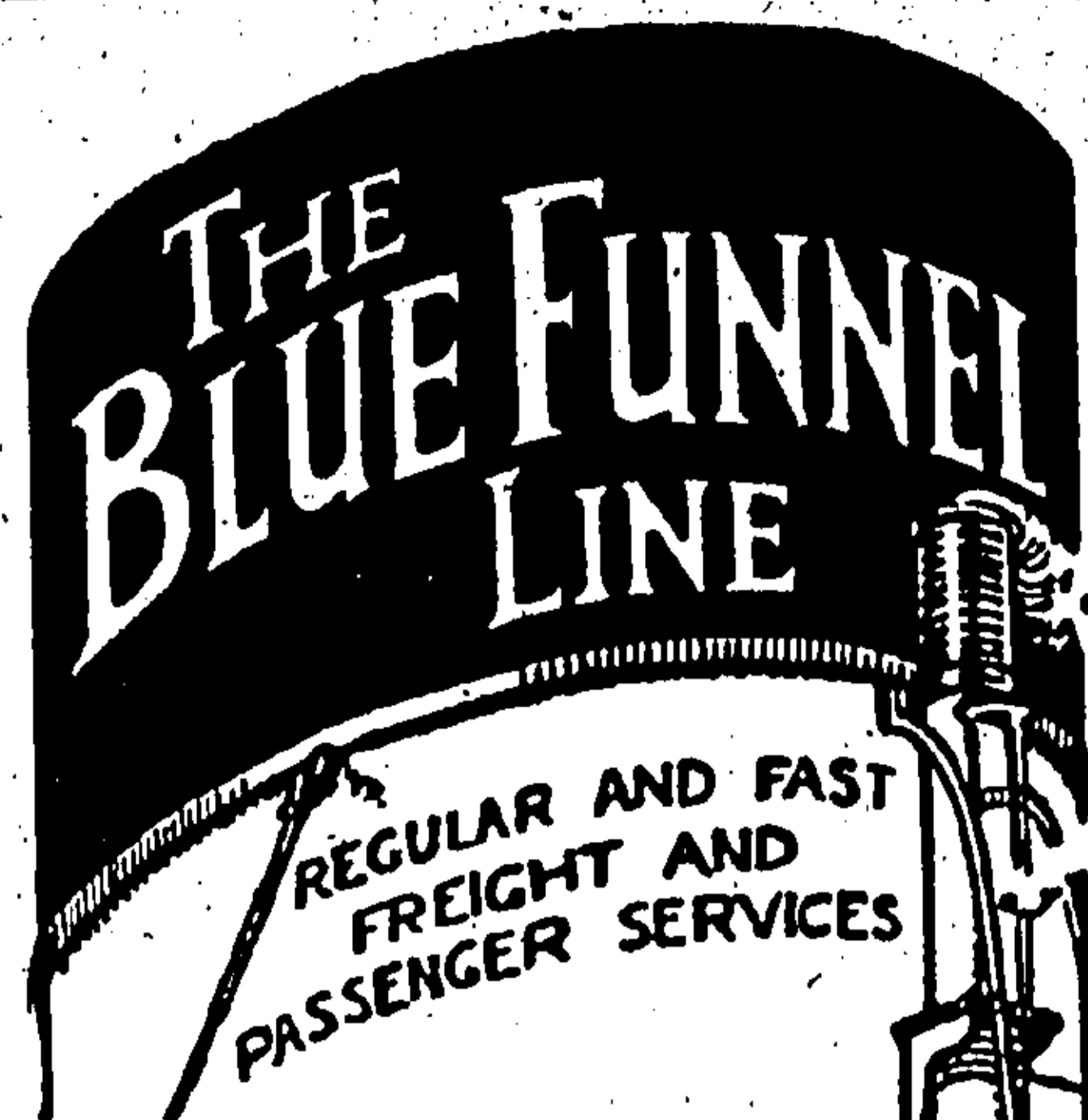
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ADULTERATION OF SPIRITS?

ALLEGED MANUFACTURING IN BONDED WAREHOUSE.

The licensee of the Hang Lam Cheong warehouse, of 298, Des Voeux Road, West, appeared before Mr. Lindsay, at the Central Police Court on Wednesday, to answer a summons accusing him of having manufactured 323.8 gallons of adulterated liquor on his premises.

Mr. R. R. Todd (Assistant Superintendent of Imports and Exports) appeared for the prosecution and Mr. M. K. Lo represented the defendant.

Mr. Lo mentioned to his Worship that the facts were common ground and much time could possibly be saved as a result. He understood that about 50 jars of spirit had been imported from Macao on December 1 or 2 and, on arrival, were examined and tested by the Imports and Exports Department before being taken into bond. They were found to contain 45 per cent alcohol or under, coming within the category of sam ching spirit. They were taken to the Hung Lam Cheong warehouse where they remained until the 7th in accordance with the regulations and then notice was sent to the Import and Export Department stating that it was the intention of the owners to mix the various wines.

The following day a Revenue Officer attended and was present throughout the process of mixing. The wine was put into bottles and afterwards the Imports and Exports Department got hold of it for an analysis made. They then alleged that the spirit that the defendant got from Macao was in fact diluted spirit and not rice spirit at all.

It seemed extraordinary that they should prosecute the defendant for possession of wine which they had accepted although the duty had not been paid. The duty had not been paid because the wine had been sent to bonded warehouse.

Mr. Todd said that the duty on the wine had not been paid. The wine was not accepted but merely seen and then passed into warehouse.

His Worship: It was tested I understand?

Mr. Todd: The strength was not. We didn't know at that time what was going to happen to that spirit. The accused had sent a chit asking for a revenue officer to supervise the blending and he (the revenue officer) attended and brought back a sample for analysis. As a result of that analysis he found what was supposed to be *sheung ching* and *sam ching*, but it was not, it was diluted wine.

His Worship: The nature of this stuff was not revealed by your original test?

Mr. Todd: No, we simply got the strength. It passed into bond house and the question of duty had not arisen so far.

His Worship: Why was there so much delay; why was not the summons taken out until after 10 days?

Mr. Todd: I was not instructed by Mr. Lloyd (Superintendent of Imports and Exports) until the day before I took it (the summons) out.

His Worship: Is there some explanation for it?

Mr. Todd: It took three days for the analysis and then Mr. Lloyd had to consider the matter. The hearing of the case was adjourned.

LOCAL RADIO.

PROGRAMME FOR TO-DAY.

To-day's radio programme to be broadcast by Z. P. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres.

1.30 p.m. Local Time, Weather Report, Rugby Press.

2.00 p.m. Close Down.

5.00 p.m. Chinese Programme.

6.00 p.m. Dr. K. S. Shin, M.B., B.S., Chinese Lecture on Infant Welfare.

7.00 p.m. European Programme of Victor Records Selected and supplied by Messrs. Tang Fook Piano Co., a three-quarter and their friends.

Serenade (R. Drigo).

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Rossini Band. 35337.

Don't Be Cross (C. Zeller).

The Jolly Coppermith (Peters).

Arthur Pryor's Band. 20318.

The Chimes of Liberty March (E. F. Goldman).

Sagamore March (E. F. Goldman).

Arthur Pryor's Band. 20311.

Sabre and Spurs (John P. Sousa).

Solid Men To The Front (John P. Sousa).

Sousa's Band. 20305.

Colossus of Columbia (Alexander).

Pageantry (Earl King).

Ringling Bros. and Barnum and Bailey's Band. 22474.

7.35-8.30 p.m. Variety.

Orchestral-The Man I Love (From Strike Up The Band).

Victor Salon Orchestra. 35014.

Vocal Duet-Long Gone (S. Smith-Hamilton).

T. B. Hale & J. Derry Jr. 20860.

Actual Recordings of Birds-Dawn In An Old World Garden. 20968.

Actual Recording of Birds-Nightingales.

Humorous Song-The Substitute (Parson (Sole)).

Chic Sale. 22103.

Song-For Sweethearts Only (Lerner-Hurley-Cantor).

Gene Austin (Tenor). 22490.

Piano Solo-Sweet Savannah Sue (From Rhapsody Hot Chocolate).

Piano Solo-Ain't Misbehavin' (Thomas Waller). 22 08.

Chorus-Sing Something Simple (Herman Hupfeld).

The Revelers. 22547.

Accordian Solo-Beautiful Days (Glenn).

Mario Perry. 20250.

Male Quartet-Will You Love Me In December As You Do In May?

Male Quartet-Sweet Rosie O'Grady (Maud Nugent).

Shannon Quartet. 20072.

Song-My Rough and Rowdy Ways (Rogers-McWilliam).

Jimmie Rogers. 22220.

Orchestral-Honey-suckle.

Waino Kauppi and His Suomi Orchestra. 20971.

8.30-9.00 p.m.

Violin Solo-Concerto In H. Minor (Mendelssohn).

F. Kreisler. -8080.

9.00 p.m. Weather Report, Local Time, etc.

9.05-9.50 p.m. Operatic.

War March of The Priests (Mendelssohn).

Coronation March (Meyerbeer).

Philharmonic Symphony Orch. 7101.

Barber of Seville-A Little Voice I Hear (Rossini).

Madam Guill-Curel (Soprano). 7110.

The Bohemian Girl-The Heart Bow'd Down (Balfe).

Clarence Whitehill (Baritone). 6732.

Africana-Of Paradise (Meyerbeer).

Beniamino Gigli (Tenor). 7109.

Lohengrin's Narrative-In Distant Lands (Wagner).

Richard Crooks. 7105.

The Bohemian Girl-Then You'll Remember Me (Balfe).

Max Dolla (Violinist). 20048.

Sonnambula-Could I Believe (Bellini).

Sonnambula-Oh, Recall Not One Earthly Sorrow.

Marion Talley (Soprano). 6736.

9.50-10.10 p.m. Organ Solos.

Indian Love Call (From Rose Marie).

Jesse Crawford. 22107.

Serenade (From The Student Prince In Heidelberg).

Jesse Crawford. 22107.

Barcelona (Rahn-Evans).

Hello, Aloha! How Are You? (Gilbert-Lyer).

Jesse Crawford. 20265.

Miss You (Charles, Harry and Henry Todds).

How Am I To Know? (From Dynamic).

Jesse Crawford. 22120.

LOCAL RUGBY.

TAMAR AND SMALL SHIPS DEFEATED BY CLUB.

Yesterday's game at the Club ground at Happy Valley was spoilt by too much milling in the loose scrums, with no very great advantage gained. Both sets of forwards were working hard, and did all they could, but when there is no chance of forwards getting through on their own, they should heel the ball and give their outside a chance.

The Club were a man short—in fact two men short, but that the Small Ships lost a three-quarter—and their win by three tries to a try, whilst flattering them slightly, was the result of good work in opportunism.

Teams for Interport Trial Match.

On Saturday, January 3rd, at 4.15 p.m., a Club Interport Trial will be held. This is the first and only trial to take place and form shown in this game will have a direct bearing on the composition of the Club Interport XV. With the aid of several Service players, the following are the teams:

Club Colours—Back, J. B. White; Three-quarters, G. P. Lamont, R. H. Griffiths, E. R. Allera, G. H. More; Halves, M. W. Turner, J. W. King; Forwards, D. L. Milne, W. F. Peers, W. F. Leckie, E. R. West, F. E. Burch, E. B. Cammell, J. A. E. Kennedy, B. P. Massey.

Colours—Back, R. J. Grieco; Three-quarters, L. Galletley (S.W.B.), L. Hamilton (S.W.B.), C. J. D. Law, J. J. Ferguson; Halves, L. Plummer; Forwards, W. Hardley, E. F. Buttress, A. R. Cox, W. F. Kerr, Capt. McKellar (Argyll's), Surg. Lt. Nicholson (Navy), L. Corp. Pratt (S.W.B.), Sgt. Vowles (S.W.B.).

Referee—Dr. J. H. McInerney. Jersey for the Colours' side to be obtained at the Ground.

INDIANS CELEBRATE.

NEW YEAR DINNER AT SINDHI HINDOO CLUB.

The New Year Eve Indian dinner was held at the Sindhi Hindoo Club, China Building, last night. Many guests were invited and were received by Mr. T. A. Mahantani.

In his speech, Mr. Mahantani said: "Gentlemen, I on behalf of my Sindhi brothers, thank you for joining with us on this New Year. The object of holding this dinner is particularly to bid good-bye to the year 1930 during which we all had to face business difficulties. We are however, looking forward to a good year in 1931, when I hope that all our desires pertaining to business will be achieved."

A toast to the prosperity and welfare of India and the Colony was drunk. "May the spirit of harmony, good will and mutual-cooperation between us grow stronger from day to day," concluded Mr. Mahantani.

10.10-10.30 p.m.

Orchestral-Raymond Overture (Thomas).

Victor Symphony Orch. 35024.

Piano Solo-Nocturne In E Flat Major (Chopin).

Piano Solo-Minuet (Paderowski).

Sergei Rachmaninoff. 6731.

Spring Song (Mendelssohn).

Victor Concert Orchestra. 21449.

God Save The King.

10.30 p.m. Close Down.

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CABLE CONTRACTS

PROTRACTED NEGOTIATIONS COME IN AN END.

Nanking, Dec. 31. The Chinese Telegraph Administration and the Commercial Pacific Cable Company yesterday reached an agreement whereby the National Government granted the Commercial Pacific a renewal of their landing licence in China for 14 years, to date from January 1, subject to certain revisions of the agreement.

It is understood that these include a provision that the Ministry of Communications shall have equal voice with the Cable Company in the relations of the Company's Shanghai Office (the only one in China) with the public, while the technical operation of the cables remains in the hands of the Company.

It is understood that the Great Northern and Eastern Extension Telegraph Companies are signing somewhat similar agreements at Nanking to-day after protracted and very delicate negotiations.

Further Agreement.
Nanking, Dec. 31. After a lengthy session to-day, negotiations between the Chinese Telegraph Administration and the Great Northern and Eastern Extension Telegraph Companies reached a satisfactory conclusion regarding the broad principles of the agreement which are believed to be similar to the Commercial Pacific agreement reported earlier.

The details will be settled by negotiation later.

The Sino-Japanese agreement concerning the return to China of the Tientsin cable was initiated this afternoon, while an agreement has been reached on the general principles regarding the Shanghai-Nagasaki cable. Both have hitherto been controlled by Japan.

—Reuter.

CAPTIVES RELEASED.

FOUR PRIESTS AND FIVE SISTERS FREED.

Peking, Dec. 31. The Apostolic Delegation has received a telegram from Father Mignani stating that four priests and five sisters were freed from the hands of bandits by Government troops on Christmas Day and have arrived in Kianfu.

—Reuter.

POLITICAL RIOTS.

EIGHT PEOPLE KILLED IN COLOMBIA.

Bogota, Colombia, Dec. 31. Eight people have been killed and eleven injured in a political riot which broke out in Capitanajo, Santander Province. Federal troops have been rushed to the scene.

—Reuter.

MORE BANKS CLOSE.

MINOR INSTITUTIONS IN MISSISSIPPI.

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 31. Six banks, with deposits of \$31,780,000, have closed in Mississippi state.

—Reuter's American Service.

NEW VICE MINISTER.

FORMER MAYOR OF TOKYO APPOINTED.

Tokyo, Dec. 31. The Cabinet has decided to appoint Mr. Zenjirō Horikiri, formerly Mayor of Tokyo, to succeed the late Marquis Komura as Vice-Minister of the Department of Overseas Affairs.

The funeral of the late Marquis takes place this afternoon.

—Reuter.

STABILISING MONEY IN MEXICO.

NEW YORK BANK GRANTS BIG GOLD CREDIT.

New York, Dec. 31. A message from Mexico City states that the National City Bank of New York has granted the Mexican Government a credit of \$3,000,000 for the purpose of stabilising exchange in Mexican currency by the purchase of dollar drafts on New York, guaranteed in gold.

The loan will be repaid within six months to two years.

—Reuter's American Service.

TEN DAYS ADRIFT.

NINE JAPANESE RESCUED BY TIJIKEMANG.

With the engines of their ship out of order, and their food supply exhausted, nine Japanese fishermen, who formed the crew of the schooner Taou Maru, were picked up by the Dutch steamer Tijikemang and brought to the Colony yesterday.

None of the crew spoke any other language but their own, but a Japanese consular official informed a representative of the S. O. M. P. that the nine men were the entire crew of the Taou Maru, a small fishing craft of a few tons, which had its base in Formosa.

Meeting rough weather, the vessel was subjected to a severe buffeting, and the troubles of the crew culminated with the ship's engines going out of order. Provisions were running short and as their position was out of the general run of ships, it was decided to serve out the food in rations.

Absolutely at the mercy of the elements, the crew underwent a harrowing time. The bitter cold weather prevailing made matters worse, and it was under these conditions that the unfortunate fishermen drifted for 10 days.

They were in desperate straits when they were sighted by the Tijikemang, which was on its way to Hongkong from Java by way of Manila. Their provisions had run out some time before and every minute saw them being carried further south. With Japanese stolidity, however, they hung grimly, knowing full well that the chances of their being rescued were remote, and in reality waited for what fate had in store for them.

Taou Maru was sighted by the Tijikemang on Monday. The rescue of the crew was effected with out much difficulty, and the nine men were taken on board and fed. On their arrival here yesterday they were handed over to the Japanese authorities.

Despite their terrible ordeal, the men were apparently none the worse for their experience.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 6th January 1931, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Vessel must be presented to the undersigned on or before 18th January 1931, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on 6th January 1931, at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by THE BANK LINE LTD. General Agents. Hongkong, 31st December, 1930.

THE EAST ASIATIC CO. LTD.

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The Motor-vessel, "PERU" having arrived, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed and placed at their risk into the Godowns of The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns and all goods remaining undelivered after 6th January 1931, at 4 p.m. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godown where they will be examined by Messrs. Anderson and Ashie on the 6th January 1931, at 10 a.m.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the undersigned before the 10th January 1931, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JOHN MANNERS & CO. LTD. Agents. Hongkong, 30th December, 1930.

ANOTHER HOLE IN ONE PERFORMED.

S.H. DODWELL ACCOMPLISHES FEAT AT FANLING.

To the list of golfers who have holed out in one stroke, it is to be added the name of Mr. S. H. Dodwell who performed the feat in a fourball match on the Old Course, at Fanling, on Sunday. He played the third hole in one.

In a mixed Bogey competition, played on the New Course, at Fanling, from December 24 to 28, Mrs. Cassidy and F. A. Redmond, who finished one down, won. There were 18 cards taken out.

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KASHMIR 8,985 17th Jan. M'les, L'don, Hull, Rotterdam & Antwerp

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COMORIN 15,132 3rd Jan. noon. S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama

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TALMA 10,000 12th Jan. Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka

KASHGAR 9,005 17th Jan. S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama

KHIVA 9,135 24th Jan. S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama

MALWA 10,980 31st Jan. S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama

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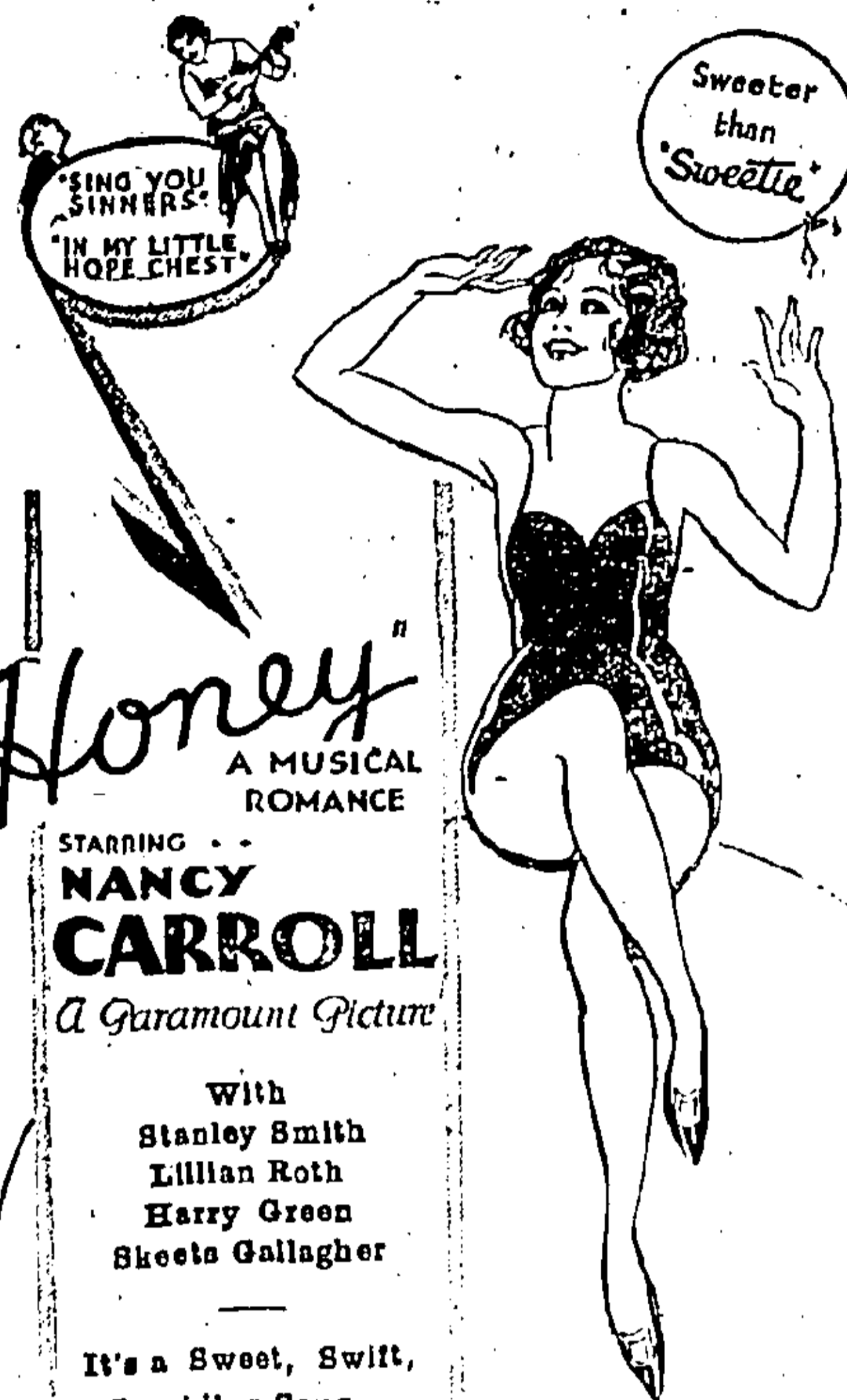
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NEW GUINEA QUAKE.
FOLLOWED BY DESTRUCTIVE
TIDAL WAVE.

Sydney, Dec. 31.
According to a radio message
from the steamer Duris, an alarm-
ing earthquake was felt in the

western islands of New Guinea on
December 24, accompanied by an
eight feet high tidal wave.
Cattle, and a number of houses,
at Awin were washed out to sea.
A European, and a number of na-
tives, escaped by climbing palm
trees.—*Reuter.*

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MARSHAL JOFFRE FIGHTING.

PREMATURE REPORT
OF HIS DEATH.

FLAGS HALF-MASTED AS
RESULT OF ERROR.

ASKS FOR A SHAVE!

Marshal Joffre's wonderful
fight against death continues to
astound medical men. A report
widely circulated in France that
the aged Marshal had passed
away at noon yesterday has
since been disproved.

Paris, Dec. 31.
In spite of a steady downpour of
rain, the crowd outside the nur-
sing home where Marshal Joffre is
lying, increased to-day, and a
strong force of police had to clear
the entrance to the clinic.

M. Barthou spent three-quarters
of an hour at the Marshal's bed-
side this morning. On leaving, he
said that Joffre was noticeably
weaker and the doctors had for-
bidden all further visits.

Heart Attacks.

Dr. Fontaine, after a visit, said
that Marshal Joffre might die in
five minutes or last until night. It
was impossible to tell how much
longer his heart would resist.
The Marshal had had several
heart attacks during the night, but
his mind was lucid and apparently
he was not suffering pain.

He added that the end would be
sudden.

Marshal Joffre several times
during the night was heard to
murmur to his wife: "It is not so
bad."

Occasionally his fingers would
wander over the sheet as if used to
do over a war map, deeply moving
the members of his staff.

Later.
"Extraordinary!" gasped a
French Staff Officer on emerging
from the nursing home at eight
o'clock this evening. He told wait-
ing journalists that the Marshal
had just summoned a barber and
had had a shave!—*Reuter.*

Later.
Marshal Joffre continues to put
up a remarkable fight. He passed
a quiet night and retains complete
possession of his mental faculties.
—*Reuter.*

Paris, Jan. 1.
Marshal Joffre died at noon
to-day.—*Reuter.*

Later.
The report of the death of
Marshal Joffre is incorrect. A
communique issued at 12.25 p.m.
states that the patient resumes
calmly.—*Havas.*

Later.
The reported death of Joffre is
premature. A bulletin states
that the patient is resting quietly.
—*Reuter.*

Denial Broadcast.

Later.
The news of Marshal Joffre's
death was broadcast throughout
France at 12.40 p.m.

An important concert was stop-
ped and "La Marseillaise" was
played as a sign of mourning.
The denial was broadcast only an
hour later.—*Reuter.*

Mistaken Report Spreads.

Later.
The mistaken report of Marshal
Joffre's death was circulated wide-
ly. Flags were flown at half-mast
in the capital and other signs of
mourning appeared.

At Colombes Stadium where a
great crowd had gathered for the
international rugby match between
France and Ireland, the huge as-
sembly stood in silence as a mark
of respect and all flags were lower-
ed.—*Reuter.*

Later.
Marshal Joffre is unconscious. A
bulletin issued at midnight says he
is resting quietly and is suffering
no pain.—*Reuter.*

**FRANCE DEFEATS
IRELAND.**

**BEAT IRISHMEN BY ONE
TRY TO NIL.**

Paris, Jan. 1.
Tactics obviously pre-arranged to
cope with the heavy conditions,
won the rugby match between
France and Ireland for the French-
men. They were the better of the
two moderate teams, and scored a
try to nil.

The superior speed of the French-
men had the heels of the Irishmen,
except Lightfoot. The Irish
backs frittered away many
chances by feeble handling.
By kick-and-run tactics, the
French always gained ground,
and Ribere scored a well-
deserved try 10 minutes after the
interval from a pass from a scrum.

Bursting through with an Irishman
hanging on to his legs, he dragged
himself over the line with the ball
underneath.
Clady failed to convert. Ireland's
last minute penalty presented a
chance, but Ribere beat Lightfoot
and touched down.—*Reuter.*

HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS.

LEADERS DO WELL IN
ALL LEAGUES.

RANGERS' BATTLE.

Sheffield Wednesday, by their
win over Huddersfield on New
Year's Day, further consolidated
their position as first rivals to
the Arsenal at the head of the
First Division table. Aston Villa,
by losing away to Newcastle, drop
down a little, while in the Scot-
tish League the most important
result of the day was the Rangers'
narrow win over Celtic, by virtue
of which the first-named team
have a three points lead in the
table over the latter.

There was but a small pro-
gramme of games in the Second
Division of the English League,
in which Everton won their
fifteenth match of the season and
gain an even greater lead over all
their rivals.

In the Third Division (North),
Lincoln won away from home at
Darlington, whilst Tranmere went
down heavily at Chesterfield and
lose their position as second in
the table.

The full results of matches played
on New Year's Day, as cabled
by Reuter, are as follows:

Division I.

Blackburn	0	Manchester C.	1
Bolton	0	Liverpool	1
Manchester U.	0	Leeds	0
Middlesbrough	2	Grimby	1
Newcastle	2	Aston Villa	0
Wednesday	2	Huddersfield	1

* Postponed on account of fog.

Division II.

Barnsley	0	Plymouth	4
Everton	0	Bury	2
Oldham	1	Rendling	1

Division III (North).

Accrington	2	Rochdale	3
Barrow	0	Crewe	1
Carlisle	1	Doncaster	1
Darlington	0	Lincoln	1
Gateshead	2	York	1
Hartlepool	6	Wigan	1
New Brighton	0	Stockport	2
Chesterfield	5	Tranmere	1
Southport	8	Nelson	1

* Game started but abandoned
owing to fog. There was no score.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Aberdeen	6	Dundee	1
Clyde	1	Partick	2
East Fife	0	Cowdenbeath	3
Falkirk	1	Aldrie	0
Hamilton	1	Motherwell	1
Hibernian	2	Wigan	1
Kilmarnock	2	St. Mirren	2
Morton	1	Leith	1
Queen's Park	1	Ayr	1
Rangers	1	Celtic	0

* Not played.

**AN ENCOURAGING
START.**

**IMPORTANT NEW YEAR TRADE
ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

G.W.R. PROGRAMME.

London, Dec. 31.

The Great Western Railway has
undertaken a big programme of
development, including a million
pound scheme for improving and
enlarging Paddington Station, and
the construction of £1,200,000
worth of locomotives and rolling
stock, to be built at Swindon.

The whole programme involves
the expenditure of £3,500,000 and
many different industries will
benefit.

New contracts and extensions of
those existing at a cost in all
totalling about £2,000,000 have
just been issued by the Central
Electrical Board.

A contract valued at £616,000
for a new bridge over the Tees was
placed yesterday with Messrs.
Dorman Long and Company.

Despite the worldwide trade
depression, it is disclosed that
eight hundred thousand net value
of tons of shipping used the Port
of London during the nine months
ended September 1930 more than
during the corresponding period of
the previous year, which established
a record.

The Port of London Authority
which has just completed a five
million pounds programme of new
works, thereby considerably im-
proving the ports facilities, recent-
ly took five per cent. off port rates
on foreign imports and exports.

It has also reduced dock rates on
shipping by one penny per net
registered ton.—*British Wireless.*

THE NEW VICEROY.

London, Jan. 1.
Lord Willingdon, Viceroy of
India (designate) intends to sail
for India from Marseilles on 3rd
April and will arrive at Bombay
on the 17th. Lord Irwin will
leave Bombay for England on the
following day.—*British Wireless.*

COAL STOPPAGE IN SOUTH WALES.

OVER 150,000 MEN ARE
AFFECTED.

GOVERNMENT INTERVENTION
FAILS TO STAY.

VITAL MEETING ON 3RD.

London, Dec. 31.

Efforts were being made in
South Wales to-day to avert the
coal stoppage threat on the
expiry of the temporary agree-
ment to-night. Unless a more
favourable last moment occurs
the miners, who base their case
on the recommendations of the
National Industrial Board, will
cease work to-morrow.

The owners, who do not re-
cognise the Board, and who say
they cannot affirm the aims it
suggests, will leave the mines open
to-morrow for those men who care
to work on the terms they have
offered, but unless a further move
occurs to-day it is probable that
practically all the miners affected
will withdraw their labour.

Although the Government is
watching the situation closely,
the report that they are interested
is unconfirmed.

Government Intervention?

Later.

Hints of a dramatic Govern-
ment intervention in the coal dis-
pute in South Wales, which will
involve 150,000 men, had not
materialised by noon.

The owners' terms have been
posted at all the pitheads, the
notices exciting some agitation
among the miners.

It is not expected that the
Miners' Federation will call a
strike. The men will automati-
cally refuse to work on the owners'
terms, considering themselves
locked out.

The safety men have decided to
work whatever happens.

Ray of Hope.

Later.

The coal stoppage in South
Wales will certainly last three
days, but a ray of hope that it
will then cease lies in the fact that
the miners and the owners have
agreed to call a meeting of the
Conciliation Board to discuss a
settlement. The meeting is to be
held on January 3.

Later.
A last minute move was made
by the Miners' Executive at Car-
diff this afternoon, when they
adjourned a meeting until the
evening in order to meet repre-
sentatives of the Government who
are on their way from London.

Government Falls.

Later.

Strenuous efforts by Government
leaders to obtain a reopening of
the negotiations between the
owners and miners failed at a late
hour.

The Miners' Federation has in-
structed its members in South
Wales not to work to-morrow on
the terms posted by the owners.

London, Jan. 1.

In the South Wales coalfields to-
day, following the failure yester-
day to get the owners and men to
renew the discussion, the stoppage
was almost complete affecting
150,000 miners.

Hopes are entertained locally
and at the Mines Department of a
settlement by the Joint Concilia-
tion Board, which, however, cannot
meet before Saturday.—*Reuter*
and *British Wireless.*

**POLITICAL FIGHTS
IN BERLIN.**

**POLICE KEPT BUSY BY
REVELLERS.**

Berlin, Jan. 1.

The New Year opened with
political faction fighting. Two
Republican Reich-banner sup-
porters were killed in a clash with
Nazis in North Berlin, while the
police were kept busy in coping
with revellers.

Very serious fighting occurred
between Nazis and Communists at
Stuttgart and eleven were sent to
hospital afterwards.—*Reuter.*

NO COTTON FUTURES.

Cairo, Jan. 1.

According to the newspaper El
Akram, the Finance Ministry is
considering the introduction of a
law prohibiting dealing in cotton
futures. It is thought that the
formation of an Agricultural Bank
should make the practice unneces-
sary.—*Reuter.*

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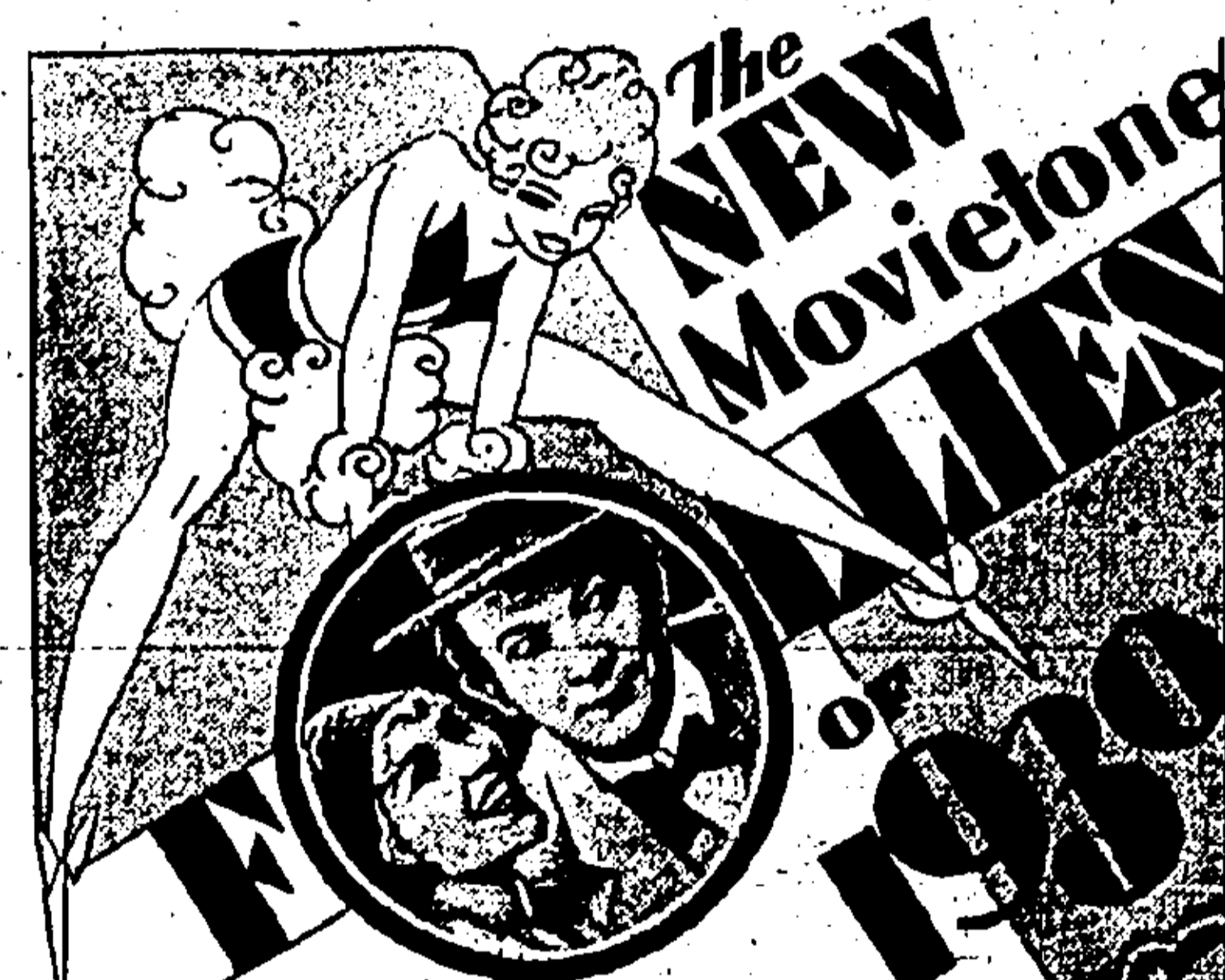
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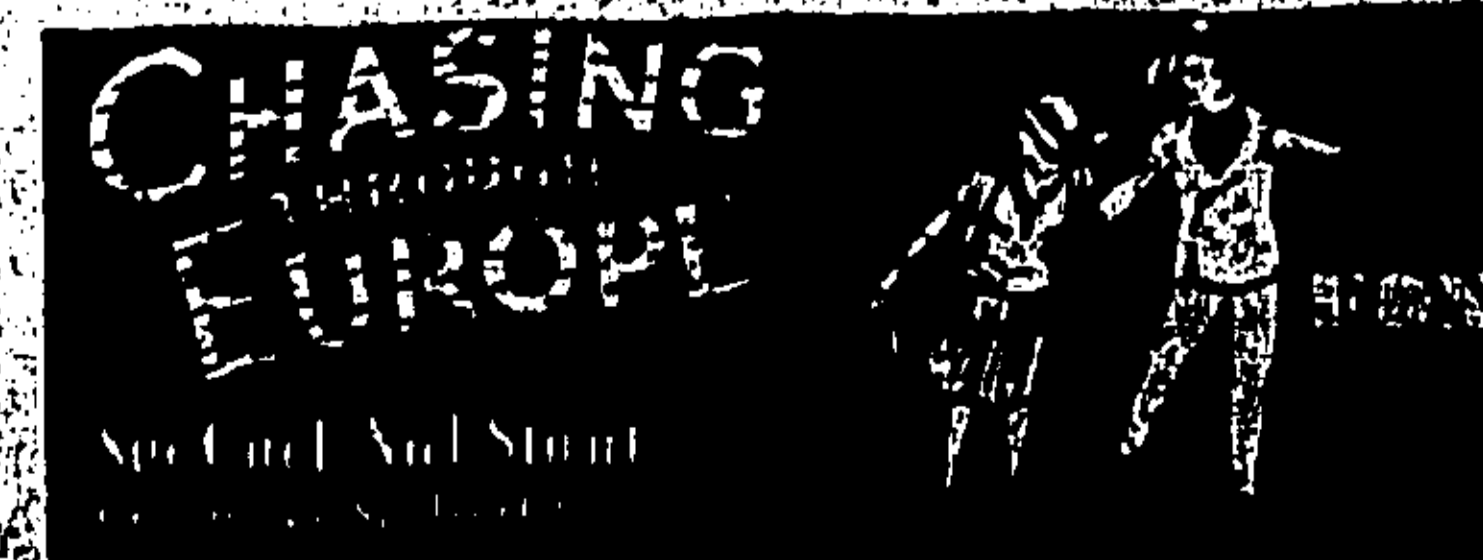
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